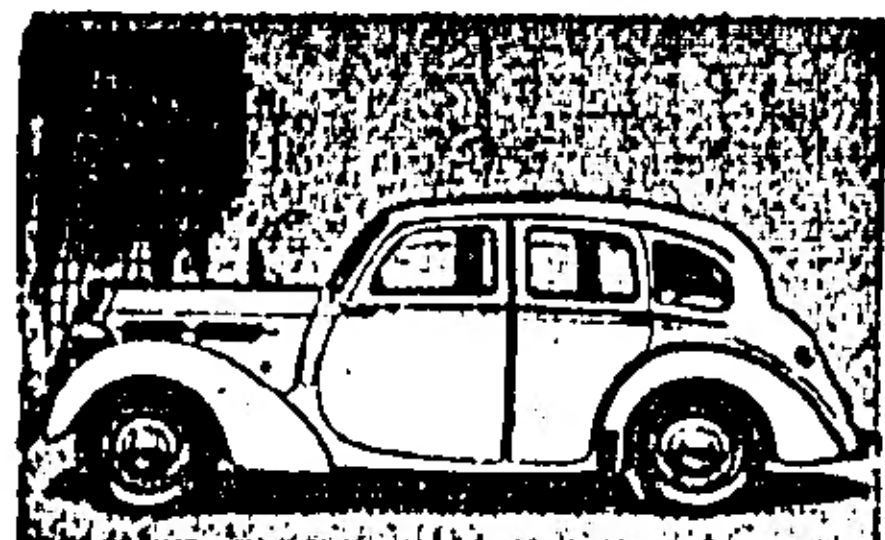


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MILITARY GARRISON FOR SINGAPORE'S BACK DOOR

PREMIER REJOICES AT U.S. SPEECH

LONDON, Jan. 5.
MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, in a statement issued at No. 10 Downing Street on President Roosevelt's message to Congress says:

"Nobody who is charged with the heavy responsibilities of government could fail to be impressed by the solemn words with which President Roosevelt greeted the elected representatives of the American people."

"In these islands, where there is so clear a realization that only through freedom and peace can we hope to maintain and develop for ourselves and for those who come after us the benefits for which we have laboured for generations, the sentiments expressed by the President will be welcomed as yet another indication of the vital role of American democracy in world affairs, and its devotion to the ideal of ordered human progress."—*Reuter*.

WELCOMED BY LONDON PRESS

London, Jan. 5.
London newspapers welcome President Roosevelt's speech.

The "Daily Telegraph" believes that it portends more than a passive attitude to world affairs.

The "Daily Herald" says that President Roosevelt's words and actions encourage those nations who need encouragement, and warn those who need warning.

ACTION SOON AGAINST
TOTALITARIANS?

Washington, Jan. 5.
Circles here see in President Roosevelt's speech a hint of economic action against Germany and Japan.

Danish Nazis Will Be Suppressed

Copenhagen, Jan. 5.
It is rumoured in political circles that the Danish Nazi Party is likely to be prohibited by the Government on the grounds of "unpatriotic action."

It is also said that there are among the police force, members of the party who give information to the Nazis about secret State documents.—*Reuter*.

G.O.C. For Shanghai

The General Officer Commanding the British Troops China, Major General A. E. Grasett, leaves Hong Kong this morning for the north to inspect his troops.

His Excellency boarded the Rajputana with his A.D.C., Lieut. St. John, for the first stage of his inspection which will take in Shanghai. Later he will go to Tientsin.

Maj. Gen. Grasett will return to the Colony at the end of January.

COUGH THE WORLD HEARD



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

SOME OF THE personal magnetism of President Roosevelt came to Hong Kong last night.

During the 9.30 p.m. relay by ZBW of the Daventry news bulletin, a short electrical transcription of portion of the President's address to Congress was given.

The entire speech was relayed by the B.B.C. in England.

Reception in Hong Kong was so clear last night that it was impossible to realise that the voice of the President had travelled 20,000 miles before reaching local receivers.

The President spoke solemnly, emotionally. He was greeted by a tremendous ovation and the parts of the speech relayed last night were frequently punctuated by cheering applause.

Once or twice the President coughed—a cough that was heard around the world.

The rustle of paper as he turned the sheets of his speech was distinctly audible in Hong Kong.

QUAKERS COMING TO FAR EAST

Centre To Be Opened
In Shanghai

LONDON, Jan. 5.
MR. H. T. SILCOCK, director and adviser to Chinese students at the Universities China Committee in London, and secretary to the China Society, accompanied by Dr. Herbert Hodgkin, son of the famous Dr. Henry Hodgkin, left Liverpool to-day by the Britannic for New York.

They will spend ten days in Philadelphia, and Chicago, and will depart from Vancouver by the Empress of Russia on January 21 for the Far East.

They will stay a few days in Yokohama, contacting Japanese friends.

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British Defence In Far East

SINGAPORE, Jan. 5.

THE FIRST STEP in Great Britain's plan, announced last month, for strengthening Empire defences in the Far East was announced in Singapore to-day by the General Officer Commanding the British Forces in Malaya, Major General Dobbie.

The G.O.C. officially revealed to-day that it was intended to station a garrison at Penang.

The number of troops comprising the garrison has not been revealed.

Penang is regarded as the back door to the great Singapore Naval Base where, it is understood, a new Pacific Squadron will be stationed in the near future.

This Squadron, which will be in addition to the existing Far Eastern Squadron stationed at Hong Kong, will probably include at least one or two battleships and an aircraft carrier.

It was announced some time ago, before the outbreak of hostilities between China and Japan, that the existing garrison of troops at Hong Kong was also to be increased to six battalions.

This increase will probably take place as soon as the new cantonment in Kowloon is completed. Plans, which will cost \$20,000,000, for this cantonment have already been prepared.—*United Press*.

Great R.A.F. Reserve To Be Built Up

LONDON, Jan. 5.

PROLONGATION of the short-term service in the British air force from four to six years, will, according to the "Evening Standard" shortly be enacted.

The paper says that the Air Ministry had urgently recommended such a measure, to which the Treasury is not averse.

Instead of the £300 which every pilot now received after completing four years of active service, and on commencing six years in the reserve force, pilots will in future, under the new scheme be paid £500 after six years active service.

The report does not indicate whether the period of six years service in the reserve force will be retained, or if it will also be prolonged.

The paper stresses that the recruiting campaign for the air force in 1939 will be of unprecedented dimensions, notably among the students at public and grammar schools who have hitherto furnished the majority of pilots.—*Trans-Ocean*.

TREASURY ENDS GOLD SPECULATION

LONDON, Jan. 5.

IN CONNECTION with the recent heavy speculation in sterling, "Reuter" learns from reliable sources that all banks and bullion firms have been asked by the Treasury to refrain from aiding speculation against sterling, either by means of loans against gold, speculation in gold, or in foreign exchange.

It is further understood that all banks operating in the countries adhering to the tripartite agreement, have received a similar request.—*Reuter*.

WALL STREET SURPRISED

New York, Jan. 5.
News from London of the imposition embargo on forward dealings in gold has been received with considerable surprise, and sterling consequently strengthened to 4.04½ dollars on bear-covering.

Foreign exchange dealers are of the opinion that the action will prevent a further drop in the value of sterling, at least temporarily, although it does not change the outlook for sterling, which many continue to regard pessimistically.

A Washington message says that it is learned at the Treasury that full co-operation is being extended here to the efforts of the British Treasury

FRANCE MOVES Defence Of Colonies

PARIS, Jan. 5.

FRANCE HAS BUDGETED for a total expenditure of 271,000,000 francs for naval bases in the French Empire, for 1939.

In details the expenditures provided for are: 51,000,000 francs for Bizerte, 8,000,000 francs for Algiers, 852,000 francs for Casablanca, 28,400,000 francs for Dakar, 200,000 francs for Diego Suarez, 28,550,000 francs for Saigon, 2,200,000 francs for Fort de France, and 484,000 francs for Corsica. The last-named expenditure is only for repair work.

Great construction work had been started at Bizerte, providing for expenditure of 24,000,000 francs in 1939 alone, and the total cost would be 45,000,000 francs for the first section of the building programme, and 10,000,000 francs for the second section.

"Le Jour" publishes a list of ships to be constructed this year, which is as follows: The 35,000-ton battleship Richelieu, which will be launched in Brest on January 7 at a cost of 1,227,000,000 francs, the Jean Bart which will cost 1,407,000,000 francs, and the Clemenceau and Gasconne, both 35,000-ton ships, which will cost 3,000,000,000 francs.

No less than 100,000,000 francs are appropriated for the construction of high-seas submarines, and the cost of two aircraft-carriers, to be laid down this year, are estimated at 1,600,000,000 francs.

Between seven and ten million francs each are to the account of the torpedo boats, provided for in the building programme.—*Trans-Ocean*.

to check speculation. Details of the steps being taken are withheld, but it is presumed the Treasury is using its banking relations and close supervision of foreign exchange operations by the Stabilisation Fund with a view to furthering these efforts.

It is understood here that similar co-operative steps will be followed by Paris and London.—*Reuter*.



LORETTA YOUNG

Loretta Young's Friend Gaoled

Philippine Islands'
Fraud Charge

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.

WILLIAM BUCKNER, member of one of America's most prominent insurance families—said to be engaged to Loretta Young, the film star—has pleaded Not Guilty to charges of fraud in connection with a recent boom in Philippine Railway bonds.

William J. Gillespie, a well-known Wall Street broker and one of Buckner's associates, has similarly pleaded.

Buckner and Gillespie were arrested as they arrived in New York from England in the Queen Mary. They were accused of frauds totalling U.S.\$1,000,000.

The two men are alleged to have spread false "inside information" last January which caused a boomlet in Wall Street and foreign exchanges in the Philippine Islands bonds.

The police further allege the two men took five beautiful showgirls by air to Washington in August, 1937, and threw a party in an attempt to influence legislators.

Shortly after his arrest Buckner was permitted to make a long-distance telephone call to Loretta Young in Hollywood.

He spoke endearingly to her and apologised for being unable to keep a week-end engagement with her, but said: "Don't worry, I'll be out to see you soon."

Miss Young said: "I know Mr. Buckner very well. I have been out with him many times here, and I like him—but marriage is ridiculous."—*United Press*.

Japan's Propaganda Denied In London

LONDON, Jan. 5.

A categorical denial that Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador to London telegraphed to Chiang Kai-shek urging acceptance of Wang Ching-wei's peace proposals, has been issued by the Chinese Embassy.

The statement confirms that Mr. Quo Tai-chi intended telegraphed Wang Ching-wei "as a close friend," strongly urging him to "abandon his move."

The statement characterises the Japanese report as a "deliberate, but clumsy attempt to mislead the public, so that there will be suspicion and confusion."—*Reuter*.

NEW TOKYO CABINET SWORN IN

Premier... Baron K. Hiranuma
Home... *Marquis K. Kido
Welfare... *Marquis K. Kido
Foreign... *Mr. H. Arata
War... *Lt.-Gen. S. Itagaki
Navy... *Admiral Yonai
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Communications... *Mr. S. Shono
Railways... Mr. Y. Masuda
Without Portfolio... Prince Konoze
Chief Secretary... Mr. H. Tanabe
Director of Legislative Bureau... Mr. S. Higai
President of Planning Board... Mr. K. Aoki
*Member of former Cabinet.

JAPAN'S PREMIER ADMITS CRISIS

TOKYO, Jan. 5.

AFTER THE CEREMONIES of installation by the Emperor were concluded, Premier Hiranuma and other members of the new Cabinet proceeded to the official residence of the Prime Minister and held the first Cabinet session at 8.15 p.m.

In a statement issued following the Cabinet meeting, the new Premier, Baron Hiranuma, admitted that Japan was confronted by an unprecedented crisis and its solution, he said, was by no means an easy task.

"If, however, the Government and nation are solidly united and display their traditional national spirit on the august virtues of the Imperial Family, I am confident that the current situation will be brought to a satisfactory settlement," he added.

Promising to announce definite policies of the new Cabinet later, Premier Hiranuma stresses the necessity of concentrating the entire resources of the country for the attainment of the "Sacred Campaign." Referring to the Government's attitude for the settlement of the China Incident, the new Premier pledges that the fundamental policies which were firmly established by the preceding Cabinet with the approval of the Emperor would be executed.

Various arrangements that have been initiated for the realisation of these policies will be maintained and developed by all means, he said. Concluding, the Premier urges the nation to appreciate the great efforts being done by the officers and men at the front. He pleaded for toleration of various inconveniences in the time of emergency, and called for close co-operation with the Government in overcoming the difficult situation.—*Domel*.

EMPEROR INVESTS NEW
CABINET

Tokyo, Jan. 5.
The investiture of Baron Hiranuma as Prime Minister was held in the presence of the Emperor at the Imperial Palace at 6.30 p.m.

Admiral Hyakutake, Grand Chamberlain, and Lieut.-General Usuki, Chief Aide-de-Camp to the Throne, attended the ceremony.

The investiture of other members of the Cabinet took place at 7.30 p.m. Premier Hiranuma attended the ceremonies, which were personally conducted by the Emperor at the Imperial Palace.—*Domel*.

PLEDGE TO ARMY AND NAVY

Tokyo, Jan. 5.
The new Premier has given definite pledges to Lieut.-General Iagaki, the Minister of War, and Admiral Yonai, the Minister of Navy, to pay due consideration to the requests of the fighting services.

Attainment of the "ultimate objective" of national defence systems represent the two salient points put forth by the military and naval authorities.—*Domel*.

LAST ACT OF LIBERALS

LONDON, Jan. 5.
The Tokyo Correspondent of the "Times" describes the Cabinet crisis in Japan as the last act of the old order, and the replacement of Konoze by Baron Hiranuma as a victory for the forces endeavored to overthrow him.—*(Continued on Page 4)*

BRITAIN'S PLANS FOR EVACUATION

Safeguarding Children
In Emergencies

LONDON, Jan. 5.

AS A FIRST STEP in formulating plans for the evacuation of between two and three million children from big cities in the event of an emergency, the Minister of Health, Sir Kingsley Wood, has circulated local authorities requesting their co-operation with the Government in taking an immediate census of available accommodation for billeting purposes, which, it is hoped, will be completed by the end of February.

It is estimated that there are 1,000,000 children in the administrative county of London alone. It is considered that the provision of camps would be impracticable, the necessary accommodation being best found in existing occupied and empty houses on the lines of the emergency

LATEST

Delphinus Due At 4 O'clock

The Imperial Airways plane Delphinus is expected at Kowloon at 4 p.m. to-day with mails, mostly from the United Kingdom. Another plane is due on Sunday with Australian and more U.K. mails.

The Delphinus hopped off at dawn to-day for Bangkok with 500 kilos of mail and two passengers, Mr. R. Ross, of the Union Insurance Company, for London and a Chinese for Bangkok.

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scheme formulated in the September crisis, namely on the basis of one person to every habitable room, the Government paying householders up to half a guinea a week, according to the accommodation provided.

ENTIRE SCHOOLS TO GO
While no children can be moved in an emergency unless the parents so desire, it is contemplated that school children would be moved school by school, with their teachers, so that

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COLDEST DAY IN YEAR

HONGKONG'S SUDDEN COLD spell yesterday caught many people unawares and brought, at 3 o'clock this morning, the coldest temperature since last winter.

Between 2 p.m. yesterday and 3 o'clock this morning there was a drop of almost ten degrees to 49.0 degrees—the first time the mercury has dropped below 50 degrees since last February.	2 p.m. 55	3 a.m. 49.0
This is how the temperature varied	5 p.m. 54.5	4 a.m. 50.7
	7 p.m. 54.1	5 a.m. 51.5
	9 p.m. 53.7	6 a.m. 51.3
	11 p.m. 53.2	7 a.m. 51.4
	1 a.m. 51.1	8 a.m. 51.5
	3 a.m. 50.5	9 a.m. 51.5

TEACHER WAS ROBBED OF £7,000

Baden-Powell Films Vanish

The Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, appeared recently for the return of a film projector, screen, and nine reels of film taken from a car belonging to his daughter, the Hon. Heather Baden-Powell, parked in Westbourne-terrace, Bayswater, W., on November 2. The films are pictures of his world travels and of his grandchildren.

At the home of Lord Baden-Powell in Bentley, Hampshire, it was announced: "Miss Heather is at present recovering from an accident in the hunting field. She left her car outside the flat in London during the night, and when she went to drive it away in the morning she discovered her loss."

"She immediately got in touch with her father, who is now in Kenya, and it was decided to appeal for the return of the films."

Silent Man Terrorises A Town

GIRLS and women in Halifax, Yorkshire, became terror-stricken recently when it was known that two more women and a man had been attacked by a mysterious assailant who slashed at them with something sharp. So far, five people have been attacked. And in each case the silent attacker—nobody has heard him speak—has escaped.

ATTACKED IN GARDEN
Victim No. 1, 40-year-old Mrs. Annie Cannon, of Thackeray-street, was one night attacked in her garden.

Victim No. 2 Mrs. Alice McDonald, of Ashville-gardens, Pelson, was attacked 35 minutes later in similar fashion in Rugby-terrace, Overden.

Victim No. 3 Percy Waddington, of Ken Lodge-drive, Elland, was attacked in Lower Edge-road, 2½ miles from the town, at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Cannon was thrown down and hurt her head. The man struck at her and her jumper and blouse were cut.

Mrs. McDonald said: "The man seized my left wrist and struck at me."

"CLAWED HIS FACE"
"I clawed at his face and freed myself. He ran after me and tore my coat. I fell and noticed that he had bright buckles on his shoes."

Mr. Waddington, who was approached from behind, struggled with the assailant. He received a severe cut on the hand.

During the struggle Mr. Waddington tore a tab from the man's raincoat, but was unable to hold him.

21-year-old Mary Sutcliffe was badly cut on the wrist while she was on her way home after working late. Mr. Clay Aspinall, a caretaker, was cut on the head and finger.

BY THE MAN SHE TRUSTED

LITTLE Miss Annie Faragher, 64-years-old ex-school-mistress, of Leytonstone, E., told recently how she had been defrauded of all she had—£7,000—by a man whom she had trusted.

"What am I to do now?" she asked. "How am I to buy my books, my clothes? I thought I would be able to live the rest of my days in peace and comfort."

She had just heard Philip Morris Scher, a 42-years-old agent, her "father-in-business," sentenced at the Old Bailey to three years' penal servitude on charges of false pretences, fraudulent conversion, and offences under the Bankruptcy Act.

Poorly clad, with an old fur round her neck—a testimony to her financial downfall—Miss Faragher declared: "At my age there is no recovery. I once had £13,000, legacies left to me by relatives. It was invested in good securities—of course I knew nothing about them."

"Scher called on me and said that if I liked to trust him he would deal with my financial matters."

£80,000 INCOME
"He said his income during 1934 was £80,000, that he lived in a hall at Hendon which cost £5,000, and also that he had been worth £180,000."

"It was not his money that impressed me. It was the thought that I could look to someone to deal with matters entirely foreign to me."

With a shrug Miss Faragher said that Scher even took £400 from her which she received as a gratuity from the Board of Education.

It was stated in court that Scher attempted to take his life when he absconded while on bail. He was re-arrested, and again came before the same jury, when the Common Serjeant, Mr. Cecil Whiteley, K.C., continued his summing-up.

"HEARTLESS"
The man who had robbed Miss Faragher of her comforts and her peace of mind was described by the Common Serjeant as "heartless and envious." His "financial wizardry" amounted to bankruptcies.

In 1926 he was in business at Finsbury, ostensibly as manager for his wife. The business failed, and his wife was made bankrupt for £10,000.

In 1937 he was made bankrupt for £170,000. In 1934 he lost £44,000 in company promotion, and £32,000 in 1936.

Det.-Sergt. Freshney said Scher was sentenced to six months in 1937.

Brothers Crash Fatally
Brisbane, Australia.

When Edgar and George Hansen, brothers, riding motorcycles in opposite directions, swerved to avoid hitting a horse they collided. It was only after recovering from the shock that they recognized each other.

Edgar, 20, died of injuries.

BIG A. R. P. SCANDAL

Risked Life For Children

Mr. F. Palmer, a private in the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, risked his life in a house on fire at Clarence-street, Gravesend, recently, in an attempt to "rescue" three children who were later found safe in their grandparents' home some distance away.

When Mr. Palmer was told the children were asleep in the blazing house he ran into the kitchen, but was forced back by the flames.

"I rushed outside," he said afterwards, "shinned up the wall, and got in through the bedroom window. I searched in the smoke until someone shouted that the kiddies were safe."

The children, Jean, aged 6, Jim, aged 4, and Sam, two and a half, are the family of Mr. Hugh Brown, who is unemployed. His home was destroyed by the fire.



Dr. Cassiano Carlos da Fonseca and his bride, Miss Beatriz Ramalho, who were recently married in Macao.—Calela.

Two Months Of Chaos

MONTHS after the crisis Britain's A.R.P. plans are still in chaos.

The muddle is worst in the London area—most dangerous zone in the country. Provincial cities and towns are far ahead of London with their arrangements.

A survey recently revealed that although 1,100,000 people have volunteered as A.R.P. wardens—a total which exceeded expectations—most of them are waiting for something to do.

In London many of the trenches dug in the public parks are falling in and becoming water-logged because they have been neglected.

No scheme of evacuation had been prepared when the crisis arrived for such districts as Croydon and East Ham, which would have been danger zones.

Billeting arrangements in the Home Counties for those who would be evacuated from London demand immediate attention.

Typical of the muddle in London boroughs is the position at Holborn. A review by the Holborn A.R.P. Committee reached the conclusion that the voluntary system of A.R.P. had broken down.

Wholesale changes, including revision of first-aid posts and the provision of proper shelters are urged.

While the eight million inhabitants of Greater London are still to a large extent unprotected, many provincial cities have far-reaching schemes of defence in advanced stages of development.

"Model" cities are Liverpool and Nottingham.

CHAOS
Here is the present state of Britain's main means of defence:

Trenches.—Trenches dug during the crisis have in some places become waterlogged; parapets have crumbled and the sides have fallen in.

Miles of trenches have been left in an unfinished state.

Fire Equipment.—An acute shortage in fire-fighting equipment is reported by many authorities. The L.C.C. need about 3,000 auxiliary appliances. On September 27 last they had only 90 sandbags.

During the crisis the Government had 80,000,000 sandbags in stock. The supply fell far below requirements. Experts believe that ten times as many should be produced.

Evacuation.—What sections of the population will be evacuated in an emergency is still undecided.

Shelters.—The Government refuse to consider the provision of bomb-proof shelters on account of their colossal cost. Provision of blast-proof accommodation for every man, woman, and child in vulnerable areas is as far as they will go.

Gas-masks.—Since their distribution during the crisis thousands of respirators have been lost, thrown away, or damaged.

Householders are complaining that they have no place where the masks can be safely kept.

Girl Of 16 Made-Up For Her Death

Oswestry, Shropshire.

A girl of 16, found dead in a car with a man near here recently had carefully made herself up just before death.

She was Marie Enid Mabel Lindsay, who lived with her widowed mother in Rosemary Hill-road, Sutton Coldfield, near Birmingham. The man was Leonard Lawrence Poncia, aged 24, of Douglas-road, Sutton Coldfield.

The girl's hair was neatly combed; her face powdered, and her nails newly varnished.

The car, with windows rolled, had been driven into a field at Whittington.

A note signed by both, and scribbled on the back of a letter, told how they were in love, were terrified at the thought of separation, and wished to be buried together.

They had had a good life, the note added, and they asked forgiveness for what they were doing.

BORROWED CAR
Poncia left his lodgings on Wednesday evening in the car owned by a son of Mr. A. Chamberlain, Sutton Coldfield greengrocer and fishmonger, his employer.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "Poncia was bright and intelligent. We thought so much of him that we did not mind him borrowing the car whenever he asked."

"I believed he was hoping to become engaged at Christmas."

Mrs. Bill, by whom Miss Lindsay's mother is employed, said: "The couple had often gone out together for car rides. While there was no objection on Mrs. Lindsay's part to their friendship, I do not know whether an engagement had been suggested."

Exerciso Versus Food
Durham, N.H.

Seeking an equation between rich food and exercise, Miss Elizabeth E. Ellis, University of New Hampshire nutritionist, found that it takes a seven-mile hike to "walk off" a between-meals snack of mince pie and an 11th-of-a-mile stroll for a lone peanut.

Re-Orders of H.M.V. Records.

- B3380 (Die Fledermaus. Selection.
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B8700 (Forget It & Smile.
B8700 (Kiss. Serenade.
B8700 (The Wind has Told Me a Story.
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- DA1541 (Vienna, City of My Dreams.
DA1091 (A Song of Vienna.
DA1091 (In Chamber Square (Heuberger).
DA1091 (Ich Muss Wieder Einmal. (Benzky).
ELIZABETH SCHUMANN. (SOPRANO).
- B8771 (Walata Pol.
B8771 (Waltzing Matilda.
PETER DAWSON. BARITONE.
- DB1538 (Your Thy Hand is Frozen. (La Boheme).
DA1210 (All Hall, Thou Dwellers. (Fant).
DA1210 (O Dolce Incanto (The Dream).
BENIAMINO GIGLI. TENOR.
- C1023 (Brahms Sonata. No. 3. D. Minor.
C1023 (Violin & Piano.
ISOLDE MENGES & HAROLD SAMUEL.
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ADMIRALTY SENDS A 'WARNING' TO PORTSMOUTH

Objection To £1,250,000 Empire Air Base

IN spite of a letter from the Admiralty stating that certain activities in the Portsmouth naval base "could not exist side by side" with a neighbouring civil airport, Portsmouth City Council recently approved a proposal for the establishment by private enterprise of a £1,250,000 Empire air base at Langstone Harbour.

The Lord Mayor, Mr. L. N. Blake, announced that he had received a telephone call from the Admiralty indicating its opposition to a base at Langstone. This was followed by a letter from the Admiralty, sent by special messenger, which stated:

"When the original scheme was brought to their notice in 1936 the Lords of the Admiralty saw grave difficulties. It was obvious that vital naval activities would be most gravely prejudiced.

"However, as they were anxious not to hinder development of Imperial communications, they were prepared to acquiesce in principle to the scheme despite their misgivings if it were found possible to provide suitable alternative accommodation for certain of the naval activities which could not exist side by side with the air base.

"SERIOUS DETRIMENT"

"It proved impossible, however, to find such sites, and it became more and more apparent that the great volume of traffic inevitably involved in the development of the air base would most seriously impair services vital to the efficiency of the Navy.

"Any scheme for utilising Langstone Harbour in this way must be incompatible with the maintenance of essential naval services in the Portsmouth area without the most serious detriment."

The Lord Mayor pointed out that the Admiralty had not vetoed the scheme but was merely warning the Council that difficulties might arise in the future. These difficulties were, he said, matters to be dealt with by the promoters.

Mr. A. Johnson, chairman of the Docks and Airports Committee, said an Air Ministry report in 1936 condemned Southampton Water, and Imperial Airways preferred to operate from Langstone Harbour if they could get it.

The scheme, the general principle of which the Council approved by 47 votes to 8, provided that a London group should construct the airport at Langstone and in return the promoters would buy the present aerodrome and other land at Farlington for £112,028, the Corporation's outstanding liability.

Boy Alone In Cooking Class

Marion, O. Raymond Locke, 16-year-old Negro boy, who aspires to be a dining car chef, is the only boy enrolled in a cooking class of 23 girls at Central Junior high school. The deaths of his mother and old sister made it necessary for Raymond to cook for his father and nine brothers and sisters.

Wronged Her Twice, Forgiven

"He deceived her by a bigamous marriage. She forgave him and he robbed her. But when Norman Firth, thirty-two, left the dock at Liverpool recently, Miss Blanche Hocking, aged twenty-four, of Byles street, Liverpool, the woman he had twice wronged, went up to him and took his arm.

They left the court together. "I hope some day to marry Miss Hocking," Firth had told the magistrates.

Firth, an unemployed chef, was fined £2 for stealing 10s. and three wireless valves, worth a total of £2, belonging to Miss Hocking.

He did this after she had given him shelter when he wandered the streets homeless and penniless after serving a sentence for bigamy.

Mr. E. H. Sidgreaves, prosecuting, said Miss Hocking went through a form of marriage with Firth believing him to be single.

When his legal marriage was discovered Firth was prosecuted and sent to prison.

On his release he called on Miss Hocking, who said she would take him back if he secured a divorce.

On November 17 Firth again called on Miss Hocking and told her he had nowhere to go and had no money.

She allowed him to stay at her house for the night and he slept downstairs. The thefts were discovered after he left next day.

FORGET-ME-NOT HATS FOR SPRING

Paris. Autocul races brought out colourful spring hats (and fur coats) recently. Hats like forage caps, hats like Prince Michael's beret, tall hats, plate-shaped hats, most of them covered with flowers.

One "forage-cap" hat, which attracted particular attention was covered with forget-me-nots. Two pale pink roses were added as "trimming."

Another hat of the same shape was of velvet and flame-coloured chiffon. Another hat was covered with felt flowers or orange, blue, red, and green. The same "flowers" were pinned to a muff.

Most hats were noticeable for their colour. There was a tall one in blue ribbons with a red thread running round it. It had a brim in front and was perched well on top of the head. Another, plate-shaped, supported bows of baby ribbon in petunia, cyclamen, blue, and green.

A finger-tip length cape of chin-chilla was much admired, and it looks as though this fur will be back in favour again. One coat, plain in front, had a "surprise" back, for its flared skirt was trimmed with two bands of silver fox.



The "Stanley Rebels" who presented the pantomime "Cinderella" at the Prison Officers' Mess recently.—Ming Yuen.

THE WOMAN WHO HATED DAYLIGHT

British Trade In China

Dead In Shuttered Bungalow

A MYSTERIOUS elderly woman, who hated the daylight, has been found dead in her locked, derelict bungalow, hidden from view by a wilderness of weeds and bushes, in a fashionable district of Hove, Sussex.

It is nine years since she bought the Bungalow, but few people have seen her, and no one ever had a glimpse of her face—she always wore a heavy veil. Nobody knew her name, no friend came to see her.

Bury, to which I have referred the hon. Member.

Mr. G. Griffiths: Has the hon. Member not read the "Times"?

Mr. G. Struss asked the Prime Minister whether any communications have passed between His Majesty's Government and the Japanese Government relative to the revision of the Nine-Power Treaty?

Mr. Gallacher asked the Prime Minister what communications have passed between His Majesty's Government and the Japanese Government concerning the revision of the Nine-Power Pact?

Mr. Butler: I would refer the hon. Member to my reply to my hon. Friend the Member for Bury (Mr. Chorlton) on 12th December.

Mr. Gallacher: Is the Minister not aware that Japan, with or without notice, is going to revise the Nine-Power Treaty and completely close the door in China?

Mr. Butler: As I have stated before, we cannot recognise any alteration in the position as defined in this Treaty which is brought about unilaterally.

Mr. Gallacher: Is it not a fact that the Treaty is being revised without notice, just as the war in China was started without notice? The Treaty is being revised. Is the Minister not aware of it?

Mr. Butler: I am fully aware of the difficulties of the position in the Far East, which are under our constant review. I hope the hon. Gentleman will accept the assurance in the answer I have already given.

The Prime Minister was also questioned in Parliament recently regarding the Kiangyin boom and the Japanese allegation that this is an obstacle to foreign shipping on the Yangtze.

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that the Japanese Government allege as an obstacle to the resumption of foreign shipping on the Yangtze that there is at present no room for more than one ship at a time to pass through the Kiangyin boom, and that they have not had the time in which to remove this obstruction; and whether His Majesty's Government propose to direct His Majesty's ships to remove the boom across this international highway?

Mr. Butler: The Japanese Government claim that the Kiangyin boom has been opened only sufficiently to provide for passage of Japanese warships and military transports. The difficulties arising from the position are at present under review.

Sir J. Haslam asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that the Japanese authorities at Tsingtao have placed an embargo on the export of cotton yarns as from 6th December; and what steps he is taking to stop this interference with British trade?

Mr. Butler: An embargo on the export of cotton (not specifically cotton yarns) from Tientsin was promulgated on 6th December. The matter is now under consideration, and I shall be glad to examine any information which my hon. Friend can give me on the particular position at Tsingtao.

She only went out at night. The bungalow was always heavily shuttered and the windows blocked with brown paper. The attention of the police was called to the number of unopened milk bottles outside the door. Breaking in, they found the body of the woman, who was about 65, lying on the floor. She had been dead about a week.

There was no food in the house. From papers in the house her name is now thought to have been Dorothea Phoebe Sayre, but whether Mrs. or Miss is not known.

Inquiries extended from Hove to Stroud, Gloucestershire.

One theory now held by the police is that she was once a well-known singer or pianist.

She was evidently wealthy, but no trace has been found of will or relatives.

HATED FLOWERS

Stories of her eccentricities are almost legendary. She hated flowers of all kinds. When roses grew over the fence she cut them off and threw them back into the gardens of her neighbours.

When Air Raid Precautions wardens called to fit her with a gas mask she flew into a terrible rage and threw the masks into the garden.

Mr. Alvin Turner, who lives on one side of the mystery bungalow, said: "I have never seen my neighbour, nor have I ever known anyone call on her."

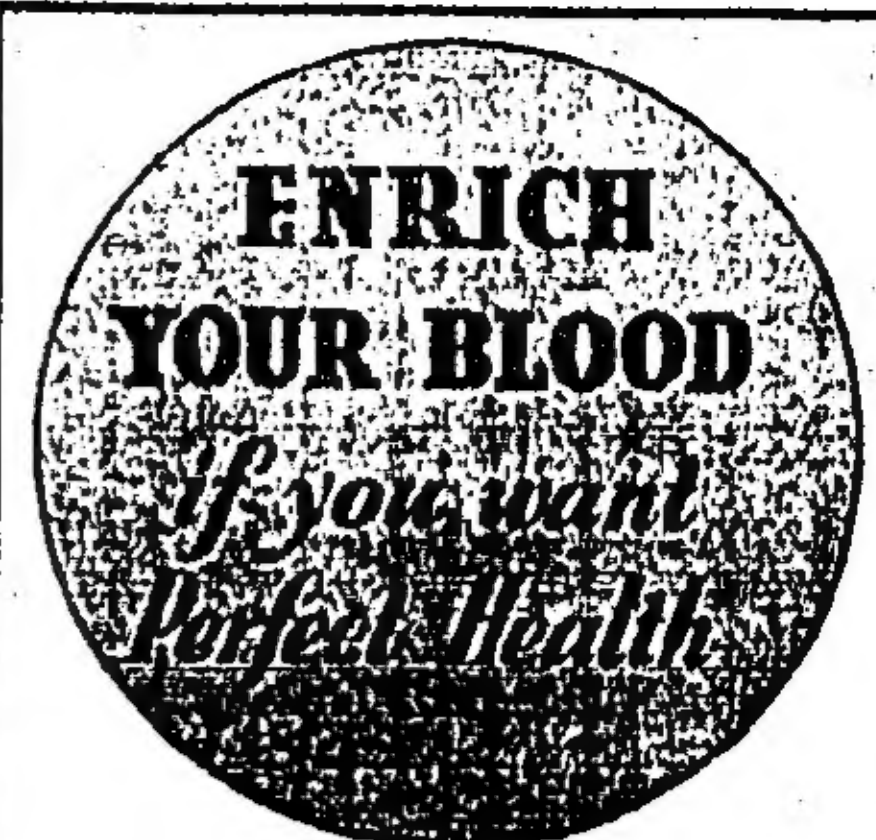
"She was always changing her tradesmen," said Mr. E. Hillman, fruiterer, of the Kingsway, Hove. "I never saw her face, but she ordered large amounts of fruit in a cultured voice and always paid for them immediately."

"She dressed in an old-fashioned style, usually in black or a dark colour."

Mr. D. Stanley, the milkman and the only tradesman allowed to call at the bungalow, said:

"I have only seen her once or twice. She always left the money for the milk in an envelope."

Detectives searched the bungalow in an attempt to find a will, but all they found were music manuscripts.



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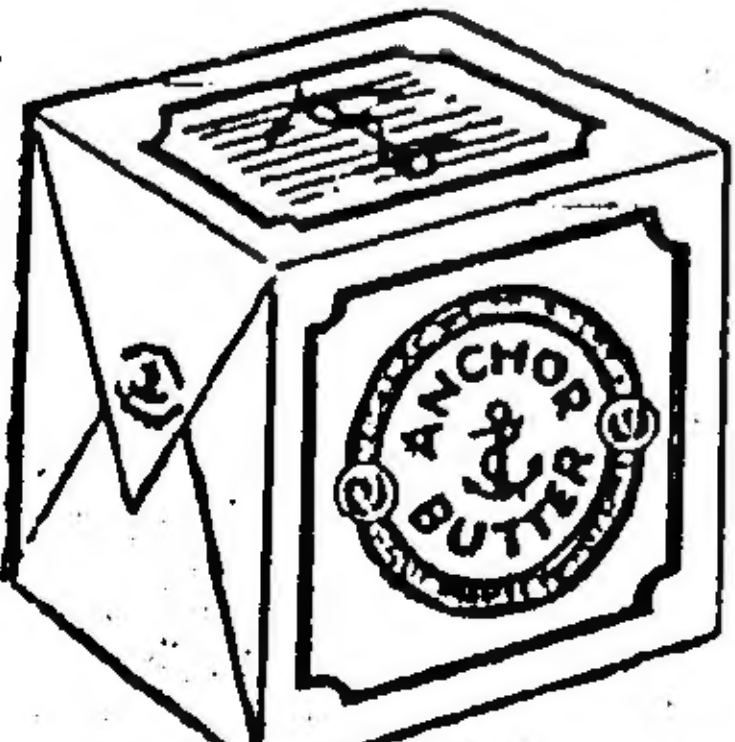
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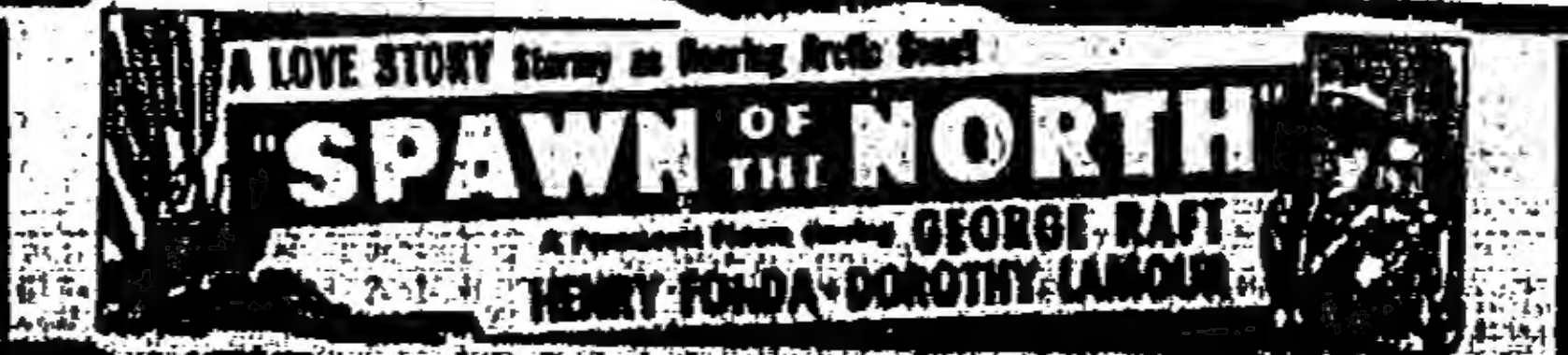
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6.21 (a) My Own; (b) Take another guest; (c) Pretty as a picture; (d) John Peel Swings.

6.35 Records: White Rose (Oakley); Olly Oakley (Banjo) with Piano Accom.; Roberta—Selection of Arthur Young and Reginald Forester (the Piano Duets with Drums).

6.44 (a) Tears in my heart; (b) Lullaby in Rhythm; (c) Star dust; (d) Sweet Sue.

7.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Variety with Sophie Tucker. The Four Crochets and Nat Gonella and His Georgians.

Who Stole The Tiger's Rug?—Fox-Trot; Bring 'Em Back Alive—Fox-Trot; Na Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; I Heard (Redman)...

The Four Crochets (Vocal Quartette) with Guitar; I Know That My Baby Is Cheatin' On Me (Steinberg and Lambert); Conversational Man (Lerner and Shapiro)...

Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra; Basin Street Blues (Williams); E Put Blue (Williams); Nat Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; Away Down South in Heaven (Green and Warren)...

Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra; Yogi-Bong (Reed)...

The Four Crochets (Vocal) with Guitar; Spooky Takes A Holiday—Fox-Trot; Who a B a b—Fox-Trot; Nat Gonella and His Georgians with Vocal Refrain by Nat Gonella.

7.38 Light Opera Selections, "Belle of New York" etc.

"A Country Girl"—Selection (Monckton)...

London Theatre Orchestra; "The Beggar Student" (Minklocher); "Ich hab' kein Gold, bin

vegefrei; Ich kuppel's manche zarte Dame; Hans Fischer (Tenor) with Orch. of the German State Opera, cond. by R. Reiser (Sung in German)...

"Belle Of New York"—Selection (Kerker)...

Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. R. G. Evans.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.02 London Relay—"Under Big Ben".

A talk by Howard Marshall.

8.15 Studio—Nat Gonella at the Piano.

1. Dinah (arr. Lorenzo); 2. These Foolish Things; 3. Two Request Numbers; (a) Chinese Fisherman's Lullaby; (b) Chinese Ballad; 4. Selection from "That Certain Age"...

Introducing: Nat Gonella's own version of "You're as Pretty as a Picture"; 5. St. Louis Blues (arr. Lorenzo).

8.35 Next week's Programme.

8.40 New Light Symphony Orchestra.

Poet And Pansant—Overture (Suppe); Romance (Tchikovsky); In A Mysterious Garden (Kotelnikoff); The Mill In The Forest (Ellenberg); 9.0 London Relay—"Food for Thought".

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

9.20 Orchestral.

"Donna, Diana"—Overture (Reynolds); A Thousand And One Nights—Waltz (J. Strauss, arr. Frost)...

Dresden State Opera Orchestra cond. by Karl Böhm.

9.30 London Relay—"The News".

9.50 A Request Programme.

Double Concerto in D Minor (Bach)...

Yehudi Menuhin and Georges Enescu (Two Violins) with Orchestra cond. by Pierre Monteux; Where'er You Walk (Hindemith)...

John McCormack (Tenor) with Orchestra; Orpheus In The Underworld—Overture (Offenbach)...

AIR MAIL DUE

Delivery Expected Ahead Of Schedule

With the arrival of three flying-boats at Bangkok yesterday, air mail is expected to reach Kaitak at 5 p.m. to-day aboard the Dardanus, one day ahead of schedule.

The Della will leave with the outward load at daybreak to-day, and further mail is expected to arrive here on either Saturday or Sunday.

To-day's mail is from all countries.

AIR FRANCE ARRIVES

Weather Holds Up Plane At Fort Bayard

The Air France plane reached Hongkong at 3.40 p.m. yesterday, after a delay of several hours at Fort Bayard due to bad weather conditions. Passengers were M. Fort, on a round trip, and Mlle. Tasarley, teacher of the Central British School, returning from holiday. There were seven Chinese aboard.

The plane will leave at 8.30 a.m. to-morrow on the return trip to Hanoi.

CLIPPER ARRIVES

Mail And Passengers From San Francisco

The Pan American Philippine Clipper reached Kaitak at 12.10 p.m. yesterday with passengers, mail and freight from U.S.A. Those aboard were: Mrs. Ida Hube, 60, travelling round the world by herself, now proceeding to Peking; Mr. Tan Fong, Hongkong business man; Mr. William Crosswell, of the International Corporation; Mr. V. Aslam, Indian business man; Mr. Gerald Eckelman, by air from New York; and Mr. Byrns English, Pan American Airways Section Superintendent of Maintenance at Manila.

Mr. Eckelman was returning to China for the first time since his house was destroyed in Shanghai at the start of the war. His secretary and three servants were killed.

Passengers booked to leave this morning at 8.30 on the return flight are Messrs. "So San, Ho Ban Tek, Raymond J. Bush, and Fong Gim Toon for San Francisco.

Next Clipper

The next Pan American Airways Clipper is scheduled to arrive here on January 10, and will depart on January 10.

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Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

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Inward

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From France, via Hanoi: Air France 12.30 p.m. Jan. 12.

PRAGUE SENSATION

Unprecedented Action By Soviet Minister

Prague, Jan. 5.
A political sensation has been caused here by the action of the Soviet Minister, M. Alexandrowsky, who sent the editors of all Czech newspapers a copy of Le Journal de Moscou containing a strongly worded attack on the Prague Government.

Each copy of the paper was accompanied by the Minister's visiting card.

The action is described as being without precedent and a diplomatic protest is expected to follow.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

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Flinday Smith

The adjourned Sessions reopened this morning. The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. W. A. C. Cruickshank, C. F. Rapp, J. G. de Remedios, C. Mooney, E. N. Philman, I. Wester, J. A. Costa, and C. Skott.

Two other jurors who kicked at having to serve their Queen and country were rejected.

25 YEARS AGO

During the month of December the following mercantile marine officers successfully passed at examinations held at the Hongkong Marine Office: Masters—John Eldridge Vint, and James Smith.

Second Mate—William Brewer. First Engineer—Archibald Hodge and George Butchart.

Second Engineer—Archibald Neil Morrison, Reuben Whitfield and John Willis.

10 YEARS AGO

A "Reuter" message from Shanghai stated that the Hon. Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, is due there to-day by the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France, en route to Hongkong.

The death occurred at Miami, of Tex. Richard the world-famous boxing promoter.

At the last annual meeting of Subscribers and pewholders of St. John's Cathedral the abolition of pew rents was agreed to in principle and the Church Body was requested to consider and submit a practical scheme for carrying this into effect.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Two well-known private hotels on the Hoven Road level, "Derrington" and "Lauriston," are shortly to be demolished and a big block of European flats erected on the site.

Reports that the Central Government troops have definitely gained the upper hand in the fighting in Northern Fukien have been confirmed by latest reports from the front.

Social Items

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Ling Kwok-wing, compradore of the M.T.B. Canton, and Miss Wu Lai-king, of 120 Queen's Road, West; Mr. Teng Kiat-chiu, teacher, and Miss Su Tsing-wong, teacher, of 530 Nathan Road, Kowloon; Mr. Wang Fun, merchant, and Miss Ma Yu, teacher, of 88 Queen's Road, Central; Mr. Mok Buck-cheung, teacher, and Miss Pang Lai-yung, teacher, of 44 Lower Lascar Row.

There will be a dance at the Cheero Club on Monday next, January 9. Music will be by "The Stokers Dollar Band" of H.M.S. Cardiff. All servicemen and their wives will be welcomed.

The Police Branch of the Ministering League will hold their monthly Bridge and Mahjong drive at the Cathedral Hall on Tuesday January 10, commencing at 3 p.m. Admission is \$1 each.

The Hongkong University Union will be holding a Charity Dance on Saturday, January 7, at 8.30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the University, by kind permission of the Vice-Chancellor.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four Persons Killed In Colony Last Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ending last Saturday morning, there were altogether 74 traffic accidents, as the result of which four persons were killed and 35 injured.

Of the persons killed, a Chinese male, age 30, was knocked down and killed by a bus while running across the road. A Chinese male, age 48, and a Chinese female, age about 70, were knocked down and killed by a private car and a tram, respectively, while walking across the road. A Chinese boy, age 5, died from injuries received on falling from a moving lorry.

Of persons injured, 21 were pedestrians who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles. Two bicycle riders and two private car passengers

MEDICAL TRAINING

Sir Richard Needham On Inspection Tour

In the course of a tour of British medical training institutions in the Far East, the noted physician, Sir Richard Arthur Needham, arrived in Hongkong by the Rajputana yesterday. Lady Needham accompanied him.

Sir Richard will remain here until January 21, when he sails by the Carthage. He will be the guest of the Vice-Chancellor at Hongkong University, which he visited five years ago on behalf of the General Medical Council. He is glad of this opportunity to see what progress has been made in medical training at the University.

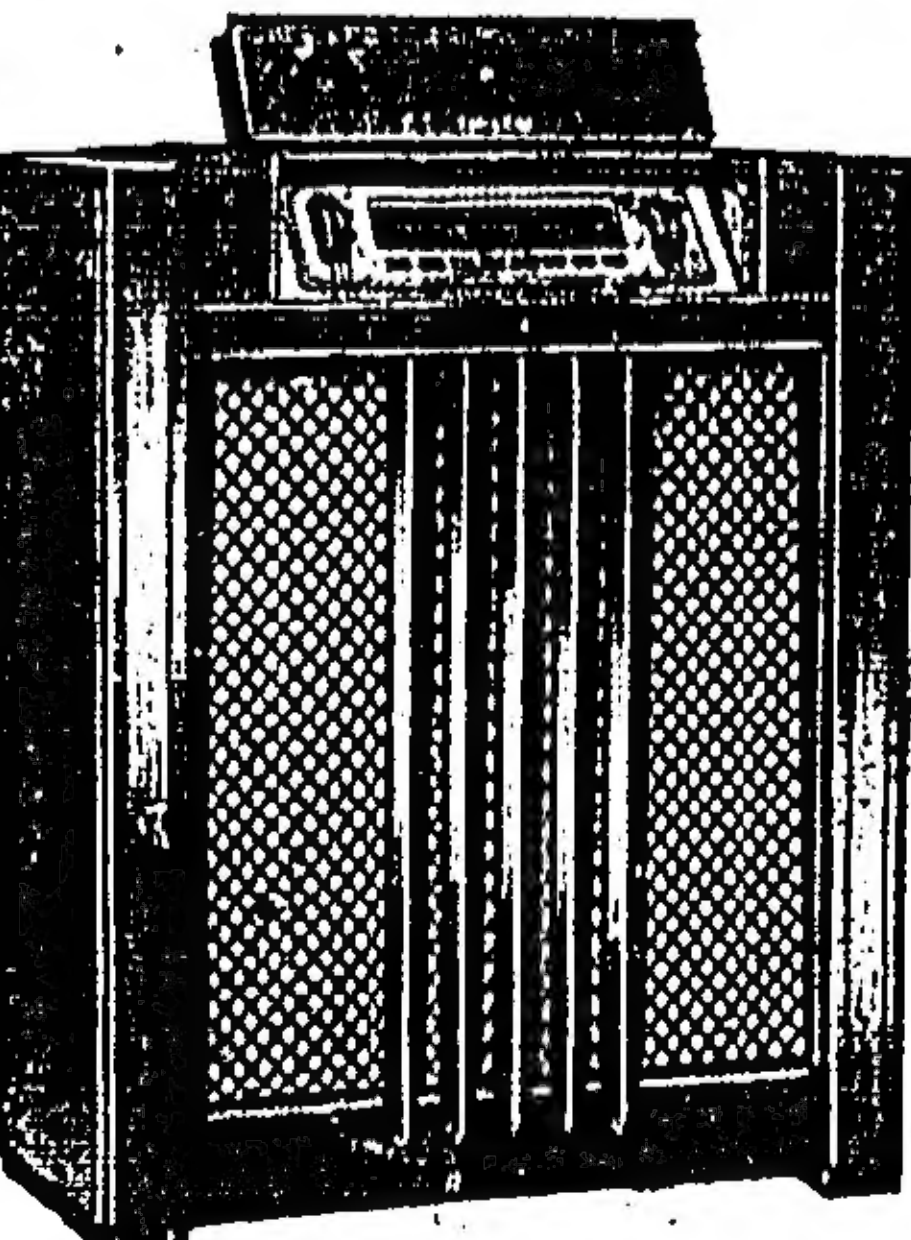
MINOR COLLISION

A minor accident occurred in Nathan Road on Wednesday, when a car driven by Mrs. Stuart of the Kingsville Private Hotel collided with a car driven by Dr. K. K. Wong.

Mrs. Stuart swerved to avoid a cyclist. No-one was injured, while only slight damage was done to the two cars.



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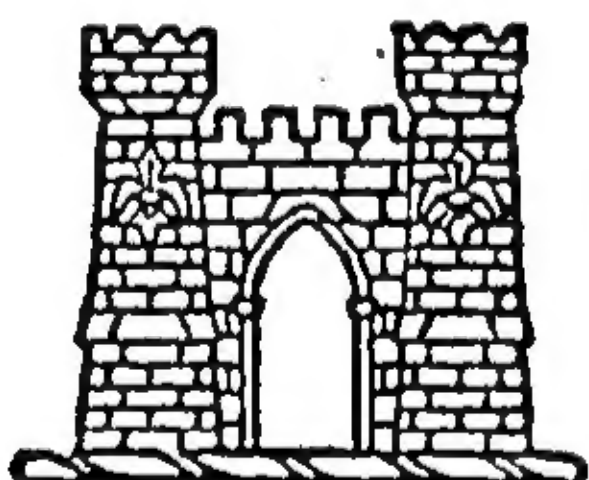
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Man and the State

IF YOU WANT to learn something about what is happening in Japan, read the article "Crisis in Tokyo" on this page.

You will understand, then, what is meant when you are told that Baron Hiranuma, Japan's new Premier, is a member of an old Samurai family.

He is a bachelor, 72 years of age.

He is one of Japan's most fervent apostles of nationalism, which means Fascism. Hiranuma once founded a nationalist society which attracted many leading figures in Japanese naval, military and financial circles. It differed from real Fascism in that it advocated totalitarianism by constitutional means. Significantly, the founder dissolved the order.

Will totalitarianism, as applied in Germany and Italy, come to Japan as a result of the change in Cabinet?

More than probably. Japan is already on a semi-Fascist basis. The power to completely subordinate the freedom of the community to the will of the State is provided by the National Mobilisation Act, which became law five months ago. That Act encountered considerable opposition in Japan's Diet. It was passed only after Prince Konoye promised that its provisions would not be enforced in toto unless an emergency much graver than that provided by the conflict with China was forthcoming.

Konoye kept his promise and invoked only certain provisions of the Act.

There is no shadow of doubt now but that the entire Act will be applied.

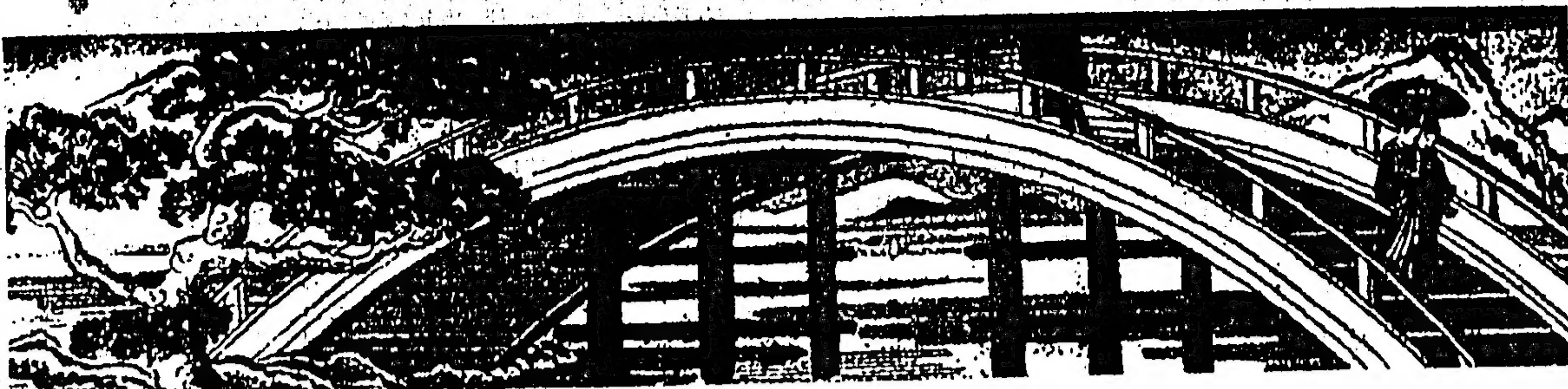
Sayonara?

APART FROM other considerations, Japan's financial position has become so desperate that mobilisation of all the nation's resources is imperative.

Even the totalitarian form of Communism may not save Japan. Remember, for the next 360 days she is committed to finding £1,000,000 a day. She has no overseas markets from which she can borrow money or credit.

Has she a sufficient reserve of internal resources to stave off bankruptcy, even with mobilisation of all her private resources?

If not, it's Sayonara for Japan's hopes of victory in China.



CRISIS IN TOKYO

JAPAN HAS had a written Constitution for nearly a half century.

To a considerable degree, if we think in terms of conditions prevailing in 1889, the year of its promulgation, the document was worthy to be called liberal.

The general nature of government under it was parliamentary. There was a Diet or Congress, a Cabinet, and an independent Judiciary. A bill of rights carried the familiar protections to individual subjects and their property, including religious freedom. Beyond question, the new regime was more liberal than the old.

PICTURE the old regime! At Kyoto, secluded from all men save a few courtiers, remote from actual affairs, kowtowed to as a god-emperor, but correspondingly condemned as an actual sovereign, reposed the titular Mikado.

At Yedo, later called Tokyo, another figure-head, the shogun, greatest of the feudal lords (the daimyo), and commander of the imperial armed forces, appeared to be the actual head of the state, but was in fact the puppet of a small coterie of Tokugawa clan leaders.

The latter delegated local administrative powers to the two-sworded samurai, whose despotic sway was only restrained by custom and the fear that the peasant would revolt if life became intolerable. The people were bound to the soil, unconscious of their political potentiality, without rights or the institutions of representation.

It was a long stride from that position to membership, by election of their neighbours, in national, provincial, and municipal assemblies, under the reorganizational laws of the late nineteenth century.

In old Japan the cult of Shinto was the dominant religious and social influence in the lives of the people.

It inculcated loyalty to the gods from whom they were descended; and especially to their *tenno*, the Emperor, himself a god and viceroy of the gods.

Loyalty to him meant, of course, obedience to the mandates of the officials, humility in times of depression, sacrifice in war.

How to preserve the attitude, while tolerating the growth of national discussion of governmental policies, was a problem for the men to whom the powers of government were transferred when feudalism fell.

FOR THOSE MEN were opposed to democracy. Naturally so, since they were samurai of the feudal clans, chief among them Choshu and Satsuma, which had forced out the Tokugawa.

Their model for the Japanese Constitution was that of Prussia, an absolutist system with a very limited suffrage and a correspondingly weak national legislature.

They purported to maintain the oligarchy, substituting themselves for the ousted men. They would build up a powerful bureaucracy, indebted to them for position rather than to the people and the Diet. They would let the people's delegates talk but not decide policy or control administration.

WHAT IS happening in Japan?

There is a Cabinet crisis. Nothing extraordinary, you say. Other nations have Cabinet crises.

Yes. But for a parallel for the present crisis in Japan you may have to go back to Mussolini's March on Rome, or Hindenburg's summons to Hitler to take over the reins of Government.

It may be as bad as that. The fall of Konoye is the result of the latest, and possibly not the last, expression of the feudal spirit which has outlived the feudal system.

If you read the following article by Harold S. Quigley, Professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota, you may form some idea of the significance of events in Tokyo.

The Constitution of Japan is, the Diet but to the Emperor. like all constitutions, but in a They may or not be selected from of the Privy Council, of the

Three of the Ministers, those of Foreign Affairs, War, and the Navy, are never so chosen, and the Chambers—a House of Representatives and a House of Peers. Navy are required by law to be

The former is elected by male voters, aged at least 25 years, who today constitute an electorate of 14,400,000 men.

The House of Peers is partly appointed, partly elected. The appointed peers receive their warrants of office from the

Emperor but are nominated by the Premier. The elected peers are chosen by the various classes of the nobility, by high tax-payers, and by the Imperial Academy.

Thus the two bodies differ considerably in social background and attitude.

The Diet has not yet attained to an appreciable influence over national policy, due to the great superiority of powers of the executive and to popular indifference to democratic ideas. An indifference which has been carefully fostered by the educational authorities.

THE EXECUTIVE, if we follow the written Constitution, is composed of the Emperor, the Privy Council, and the Cabinet.

The Privy Council is a body of 26 elderly men, chosen for life by the Premier from the ranks of the bureaucracy, the military services, and the professions.

The Cabinet is a group of a dozen ministers of state, each heading a department, together with a premier.

The Premier is appointed by the Emperor upon the advice of certain elder statesmen.

He and the other Cabinet members are responsible not to the

policy in all fields but one. On matters of national defence the supreme command, which we may best envisage as the several military and naval agencies in collaboration, is empowered to decide.

This power, however, is limited by the Cabinet's right to frame the budget and to carry on foreign relations.

While the former right does not extend to deleting budget items previously set up, it does cover new items.

However, the views of the Cabinet must pass the scrutiny of the Privy Council, of the *genro*, and of the palace advisers.

At any stage of their progress toward the imperial signature they may be held up for revision or rejected outright.

Thus the Cabinet is constantly under fire and subject to a perplexing variety of controls.

The embarrassing strength of these checks upon the Cabinet springs from the age of the resolute training organs and their closer kinship with the dominant social forces in the country.

Moreover, Japanese political tradition calls for divided responsibility. The theory of Cabinet government is not yet established in Japan. It can develop only by understandings over a lengthy period.

This development is not hampered by the imperial prerogative, since the Emperor does not make decisions on policy. No doubt development would be more rapid if he did.

The absence of imperial decision results in frequent deadlocks and delays, out of which ultimately emerges whatever line of policy is favoured by the agency that is dominant at the moment.

At one time that may be the supreme command, at another time the *genro*, since even the *genro* cannot always have the deciding word. This means that one or the other powerful group is likely to be resentful and eager to redress the balance when a new issue arises.

THE ROLE of the Diet in the contest for power is a minor one.

Impotent from the start, it has had to rely upon the growth of popular political consciousness to provide it with a leverage for constitutional reform.

Unhappily, although there has been a considerable development along desired lines, it has not been fruitful because the House of Representatives and the parties have steadily lost credit, due to their demonstrated lack of principles and willingness to sacrifice the cause of Liberalism for party success and individual enrichment.

THE REAL OPPOSITION to military extremism is supplied by the bureaucracy.

The permanent civil service, ramifying through the entire governmental structure, from the departments in Tokyo through the provincial administrations, including the police, and highly centralised through the Ministry of Home Affairs, provides the warp and woof of government.

The strongest men in the political parties were formerly in the civil service, while the Privy Council and the House of Peers take their tone from promoted bureaucrats. Even when the Cabinet is made up almost wholly of party members, the bureaucracy controls it.

The real contest for power in modern Japan has always been one between two great bureaucracies, the civil and the military.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"He's really a wonderful doctor—only this morning he said we look more like sisters than mother and daughter!"

INCREASE IN BRITAIN'S TRADE

£2,700,000 Rise In Exports

BRITISH export trade for October disclosed in Board of Trade returns while still showing a heavy decrease as against a year ago, was better than in September, and registered the highest total for any month this year.

This result suggests a halt in trade recession, although the increases shown in various of the leading articles, while welcome, are still too small to suggest a general strong revival.

Shipments of British goods and produce last month were up £2,751,030, as against September, while re-exports rose £1,408,031, making total exports £4,159,070 higher.

While exports were up imports also increased, compared with the previous month, by £4,033,896. The visible adverse balance, therefore, showed little change, being £31,028,877 last month, against £31,154,951 in September.

In October last year the adverse balance was the large one of £43,284,076. For the ten months to date the balance of trade against this country is £328,686,664, compared with £340,439,713.

BALANCE STILL HIGH

While a contraction is shown on the year caused by the heavy drop in imports, due largely to lower prices, the balance is still high. The desirability of increasing exports to improve the position is particularly apparent now because of the recent weakness of sterling.

Results for October compared with those of October last year, are:

	Month's Decrease	Total
Imports	70,051,050	17,163,709
Exports (Brit.)	42,559,960	4,656,052
Re-exports	5,443,063	535,550
Total exports	48,003,023	5,191,602

In British exports, manufactured goods showed a decline as against a year ago of £4,600,310, and raw materials were down £498,520. The food, drink, and tobacco section recorded an increase of £291,645.

CHEMICAL EXPORTS UP

Changes shown in the principal industries were:

MERLE V. MARLENE

Hollywood. Britain's exotic film star Merle Oberon had an uncomfortable hour on the witness stand in Los Angeles Court recently when counsel introduced a letter drawing comparisons between Marlene Dietrich and herself.

Lyle Rucker, an attorney, is suing Miss Oberon for £1,100 legal fees allegedly due to him, and opposing counsel in the case introduced a letter written by David Selznick regarding the picture "The Garden of Allah," produced two years ago. The letter said:

"Dear Merle, I think it only right to advise you that we are negotiating with Marlene Dietrich to play the lead in 'The Garden of Allah'."

"It is not simply a case of my preferring one artist to another—the picture will cost £240,000, and this will require a gross of at least £400,000 to repay us. Therefore I have these alternatives: Proceed with the picture with you in it and probably lose up to £100,000; wait until you have progressed further on your meteoric rise and will really be a top star; or take advantage of Miss Dietrich's desire to do this picture."

Miss Oberon declared that her feelings were hurt by this, but not to the point where she refused to make another Selznick picture.

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	Month's Increase (+) or Decrease (-)	Total
Iron and steel	£3,420,142	£1,942,203
Non-ferrous metals	£1,209,258	£ 800,185
Machinery	£4,835,973	£ 189,003
Cotton goods	£4,213,200	£1,503,143
Woolen goods	£2,280,502	£ 442,050
Misc. textiles	£1,292,434	£ 440,360
Chemicals	£2,345,231	£ 248,071
Motors & Parts	£1,245,930	£ 288,042

Compared with September iron and steel exports last month were up £440,520 and machinery showed a rise of £307,132. Cotton goods advanced £331,040 and chemicals were higher by £010,047.

Vehicles, however, registered a drop of £2,091,354, the September figure having been swollen by the hurried delivery of new ships because of the international crisis.

Coal exports last month, while £203,778 lower than a year ago, were £422,434 better than in September.

DECLINE IN COTTON

Of the large decrease in imports compared with October last year, £8,087,237 occurred in raw materials, £4,019,531 in the food, drink and tobacco section and £4,156,003 in manufactures.

In raw material imports the principal declines were:

	Month's Decrease	Total
Iron ore and scrap	43,232	078,908
Wood and timber	4,600,853	2,250,483
Raw cotton	2,292,359	2,000,277
Oil seeds	2,231,322	1,376,003
Raw wool	2,411,861	118,803
Rubber	200,635	052,068

Among foodstuffs, grain and flour showed a drop of £3,163,723 at £5,356,326. Much of this fall is due to the decline in prices. This is shown in wheat where, while the quantity received was down only 551,008 cwt, the value was lower by £2,071,000.

In manufactured imports, iron and steel and manufactures thereof declined £1,533,584. Chemicals were up £525,500.

For the 10 months to the end of October British exports have totalled £389,165,406, a decrease, compared with the results for the corresponding period of 1937, of £43,603,125.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

rowen-tree anachronism
semolina anaxation
rufus fricasee

English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

WOMAN LEAPS 120 FEET TO HER DEATH

Carnera Is In Love Again

Primo Carnera, the former heavyweight boxer who is now Italy's newest screen star, has become engaged to Signorina Joseppina Cavazzo, of Santa Lucia Isanzo.

Signorina Cavazzo is a clerk in the Post Office.

"I am madly in love," he said. "She simply must marry me."

In 1933 Miss Eugenia Tesini, a Soho waitress, was awarded £4,200 damages for breach of promise against Primo Carnera.

At Bath Police Court, on August 20, Dr. O. Bernard Kelly, of Gay-street, Bath, was fined £2 and ordered to pay three guineas costs for the assault upon Miss Flanagan.

His appeal, heard at Bath Quarter Sessions, failed, but the costs were reduced by 3s, because the magistrates were not empowered to impose a fine and costs exceeding £5.

City Crowds Shocked By Tragedy

Sydney.

Horrified city crowds saw a 40-year-old New Zealand masseuse named Miss Muriel Hare jump 120 feet to her death from the roof of the Hotel Australia here.

The tragedy occurred at the busiest hour of the day, a little after 5 p.m. Miss Hare's body, shockingly mutilated, fell on the tramline in Castlereagh street outside the door of the hotel.

Crowds in the street and the vicinity were against. Women screamed and fainted, and many staggered into nearby shops and theatre foyers to recover.

Miss Hare, who had been in Australia for a holiday, had booked a passage in the liner Awatani, which was due to sail for New Zealand at 5 p.m.

At 4.45 p.m. she engaged a taxi outside a big city store where she had been doing some last-minute shopping. She drove to the Hotel Australia, where she had been staying, went to the lift and asked to be taken to the top floor.

PIERCING SCREAM Shortly afterwards a piercing scream from a bystander in Castle-reagh Street heralded the tragedy. A moment later the woman's body hit the street with a loud crash.

Within ten minutes thousands of people packed the street, and required police control. The Central Ambulance arrived and removed the woman's body while Fire Brigade workers had the gruesome task of cleaning the street with hoses and buckets of sand. Police believe that the woman must have run and jumped, for she fell so far into the street that she missed the verandah of the hotel, which extends across the footpath. If she had stood on the side of the foot and leapt, she would almost certainly have hit the verandah.

Wed In Secret: Divorce Plea

THE Hon. Mrs. Clive Martyn—before her marriage the Hon. Phyllis Bethell, daughter of Lord Bethell—recently began divorce proceedings against her husband, Captain Clive H. Martyn, M.C.

Captain Martyn is defending the action. He is aged forty-two; his wife is twenty-nine.

In 1926 Captain Martyn married the Hon. Vera Pearl Jessel, second daughter of Lord Jessel. She died in 1928. Captain Martyn secretly married his present wife in March 1933.

Town Clerk Disputes Wife's £43,000 Will

MR. John Whitehead, Town Clerk of Tunbridge Wells, brought an action in the Probate Court recently to upset a will made by his wife on May 8, 1936, leaving most of the income from her £43,641 estate to charity.

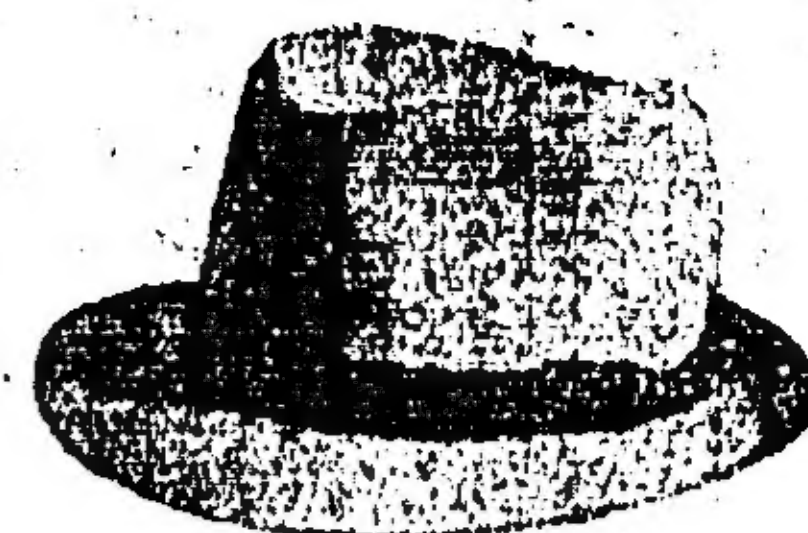
He propounded another will of August 12, 1927, with a codicil of October, 1935, in favour of himself, claiming that when Mrs. Whitehead made the second she was not of sound mind, memory or understanding, and that it was executed on a sudden impulse.

Defendants were the R.S.P.C.A., the N.S.P.C.C., the All-India Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Albert Edward Tetley and Gladys May Tetley (brother and sister of Mrs. Whitehead) and Nicholas Tetley, an infant (the son of Mr. A. E. Tetley).

Mr. J. P. Eddy, K.C., for the R.S.P.C.C. and the All-India S.P.C.A., stated that the two societies he represented were the only defendants who sought to set up the 1936 will. Under it Mrs. Whitehead directed the trustee to pay Mr. Whitehead out of the income of the residuary estate £300 a year for life, or until he re-married. The balance of the income was to be paid to the three defendant societies.

Mr. Eddy submitted that Mrs. Whitehead made her second will because she took the view that her husband was well provided for and did not need her money. The married life must have been unhappy.

There was no doubt that in the summer before the 1936 will Mrs. Whitehead was concerned about her health, but it was clear that she was highly intelligent and capable of managing her own affairs. Her view was: "Why should I leave the bulk of my income to him so that he can lavish it upon a second wife?" The hearing was adjourned.



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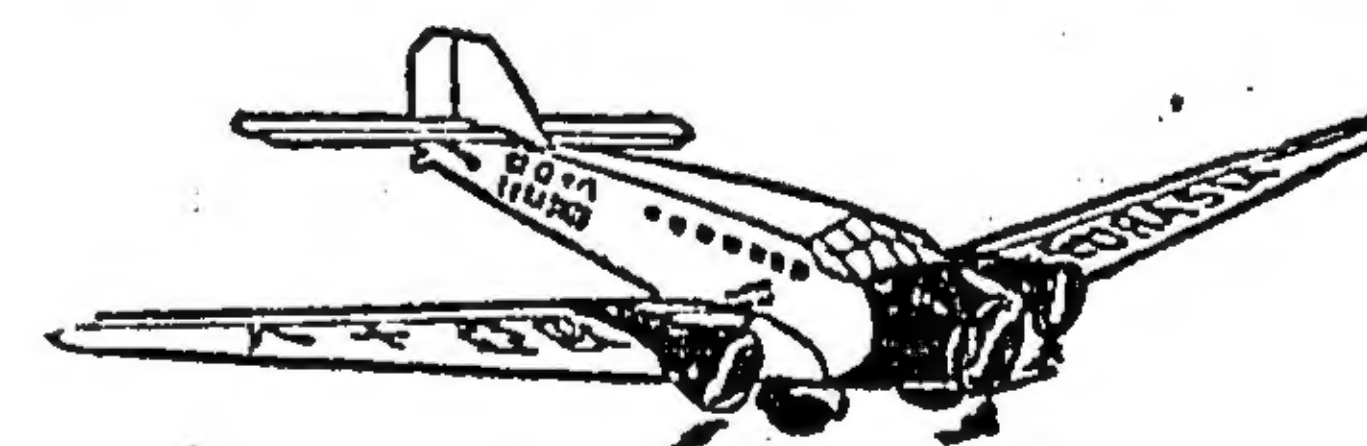
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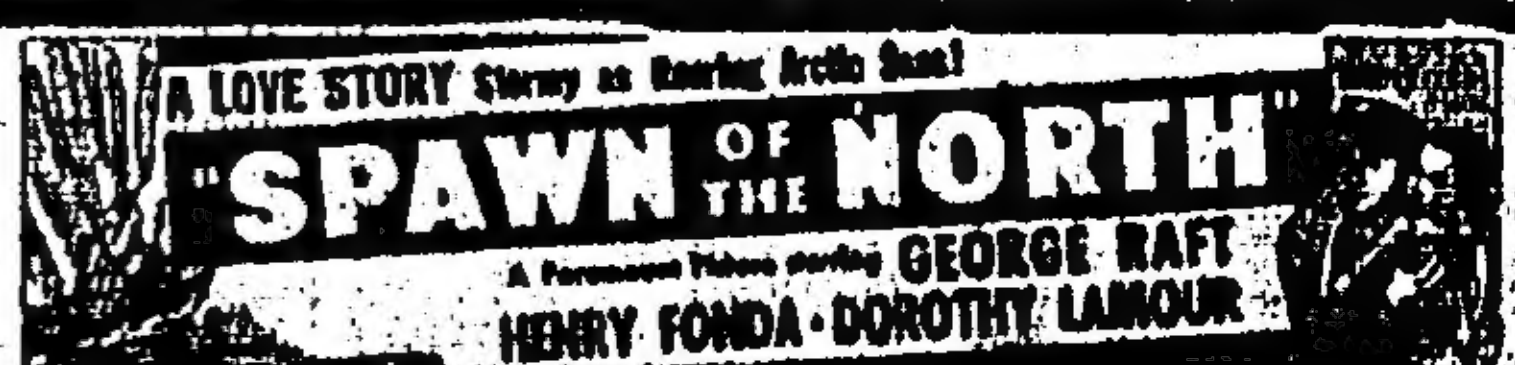
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ECLIPSE OF LIBERTY BAY GENERALLY REGRETTED

LOOKING BACK ON CHAMPION'S BRIGHT CAREER

(By "Captain Foster")

May I have the pleasure of taking readers back to the Spring of 1932? In that season we saw a wonderful China pony in Liberty Bay (owned by Mr. L. Dunbar) who made his first public appearance in the most exclusive classic event, the Hongkong Derby, which sets a terrific test and strain over a distance journey of one and a half miles. After winning the Blue Riband with consummate ease, Liberty Bay was turned out by the connections to have a good rest and his next outing was an easy passage in the Sixth Aggregate Stakes over a mile in the late October meeting, the run being merely a pipe-opener in preparation for the Hongkong St. Leger.

However, it was after the first public performance that many competent judges of horse-flesh considered that Liberty Bay was one of the finest China ponies that ever raced at Happy Valley. Some held the opinion that it would be hard to find a bigger to lower his flag whilst other followers of the turf prognosticated that the bay stallion would retire some day without suffering a defeat. Like everything else, one cannot go on for ever, but the form book reveals that on every occasion of Liberty Bay's success the decision was always by the length of a street with a load of pounds to spare. He was a non-combatant in 1937. The "lay off" on account of being "dotty" was, if I may be permitted to say so, a terrible disaster and the end came on February 23 of last year when he met his Waterloo in Silkylight, owned by Mr. Eric Moller of Shanghai. It was the one and only occasion that the gallant hero ever walked behind a China pony in a procession to the unsaddling enclosure in front of the weighing room, but please remember that Liberty Bay started his racing career in 1932 with two dozen easy wins to his credit and he has collected a grand total of \$39,148 for his American owner.

VINTAGE OF 1938 Three Outstanding Ponies

Now we jump forward to 1938. The absence of a long list of Derby griffins (China ponies) was much marked last year, but it was fully compensated for by a fine increase in quality, the best three being Confusion Bay, Desert Chief and Silkylight.

Enough has been said about the last named sired, but we know very little of Desert Chief whose last appearance was when the stallion got his revenge in the Easter Stakes over a mile, beating Bear Claw and Silkylight by a good margin. It was indeed a great pity that Mr. Eu Tong-sen's endeavours were under a cloud and the chestnut pony was away from the racetrack during the second half. It will be recalled that his best public performance was in the Mize Bay Handicap over a furlong from the two mile post, once round and in, bounding Mr. T. E. Pearce's King's Warden and Lady's Revenge Gladly by many lengths in a record of 2.05 which was a creditable run for a griffin. Desert Chief

lowered the previous record figure (2.08½) held by King's Warden, Soldier of Britain and Soldier of Honour by three two-fifths seconds and the last mile was galloped in 1.52½. A note should be kept of this fast run. It is learned that the stallion is no longer on the walking list.

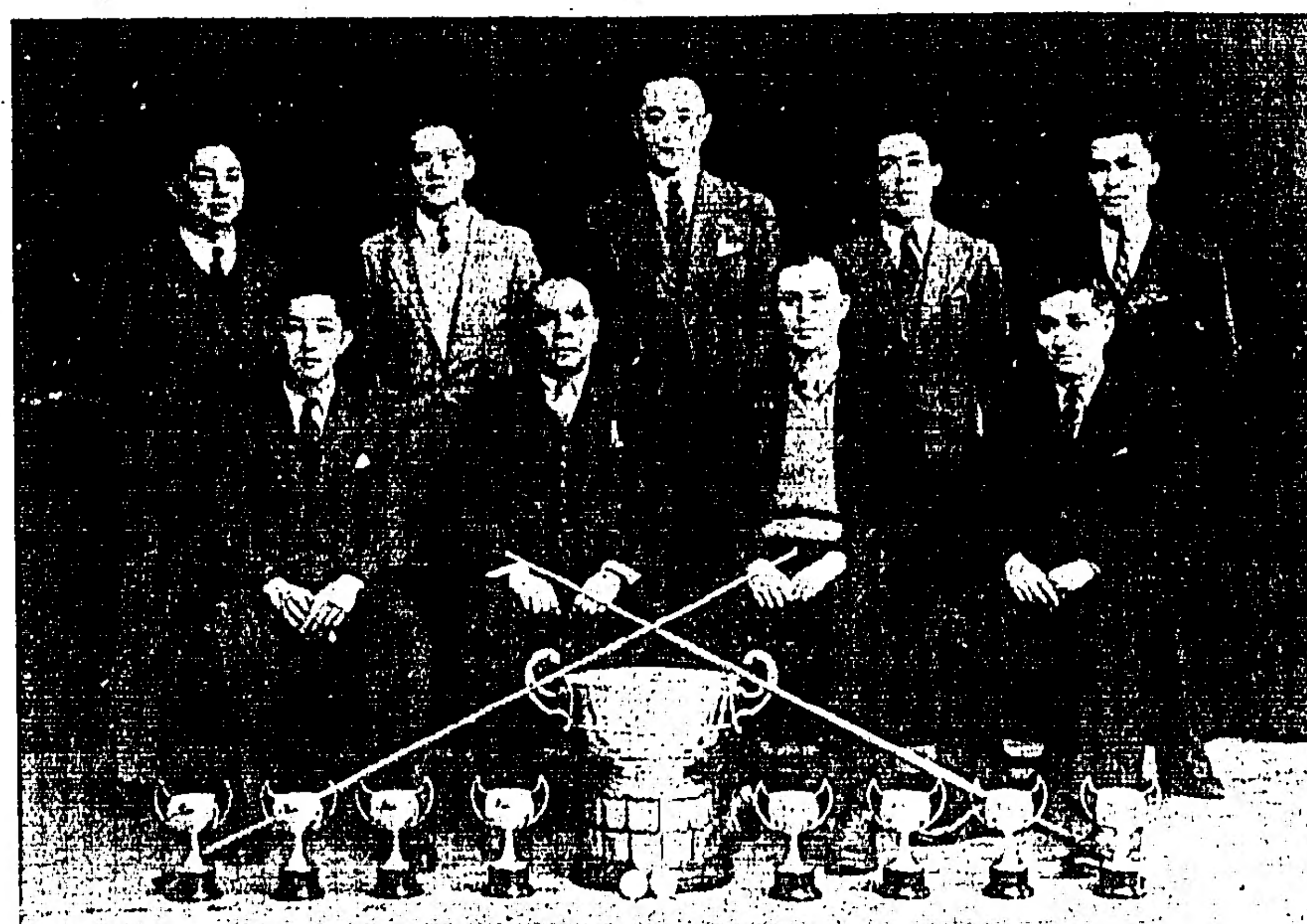
Confusion Bay is another I have in my note book. This bay stallion belonged to Mr. L. Dunbar was never unplaced and he came under the starter's flag nine times. He is quite young, but keep an eye on him at the Annual Carnival and also Cameronian who has won three beautiful souvenirs, the American Club Cup, the Lusitano Cup and St. George's Plate for Mr. Eu Tong-sen.

Louis XIV Undoubtedly Best Of Sub-Griffins: Absent In Second Half

The same story is told every year, that is, one subscription griffin among the China ponies turns out to be head and shoulders above all others. Louis XIV owned by the jockey Mr. S. W. Tang collared \$6,333 for his seven outings during two months, but the chestnut gelding never appeared in public again after the March meeting. His absence, coupled with that of Smiling Thru who pulled up lame after the September meeting, gave Salvage Master owned by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield two classics, the Sub-griffins St. Leger and the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions. This luck at the wheel brought in \$4,900 while Smiling Thru made \$4,700 for Mr. Eu Tong-sen. Louis XIV would have piled up more if he had started after the recess. However there is not much prospect of Louis XIV appearing at the Annual meeting, but Smiling Thru, it is learned, will be donning the silk. Piet Hein of the Hollandia syndicate is fourth in the undermentioned list with a balance of \$2,044 to his credit.

Acme	\$ 175
African Cat	500
All Baba	100
Arabian Cat	—
Astrik	425
Bestevater	—
Be Yourself	175
Borrachito	1,250
Cape Comorin	850
Captain Blood	—
Celebration Day	—
Charlydis	075
Cleave	175
Cloudy Star	325
Cricketer	300
Cuban Love	800
Daddy Longlegs	125
Dark Hazard	375
Decko	1,075
Desert Star	2,338
Double Up	—
Eagle	250
Easy Time	087
Fel Ying	1,075
Ferrybridge	—
Final Triumph	2,027
Five Rulers	075

The form book shows that in The Bag and Tommy weighed out once during the season, but Wenning holds the record of starting 22 times. Cape Comorin, Lucky Eleven and National Dignity came under the starter's orders on 21 occasions, the latter two running in Macao and Fanling. National Force and Sea Dragon have each a win, the rest of their outings being unplaced and Stylic registered five wins in Macao and one in Fanling. He has no liking for Happy Valley. The best dividend of the year was \$330 paid by National Guard in the Fokien Plate over a mile ridden by a novice, Mr. Yeung Wing-kwai.



Above are members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps' Hardys team which recently won the 1938 "Soldiers' Club Tournament." There are some very fine players in the Corps.—Photo by Mee Cheung.

Silkylight Wins Most Stake Money

Last season undoubtedly brought forward some lovely "A" class China ponies, but judging by what there are at present in training for the 1939 big meet, I do not hold out much hope of seeing any to eclipse those I have just mentioned.

Those "riders in the stand" who have "gone down the sink" may be interested to know that the Derby griffins drew from the coffers of the Hongkong Jockey Club a total sum of \$49,955 and the list is made up as follows:

Advancing Time	\$ 5,300
Confusion Bay	4,243
Desert Chief	2,888
Elizabeth	1,550
Expression Time	2,375
Fowey	1,700
Half-Moon Eve	1,100
Handicap Eve	2,050
Humdrum Eve	—
J. C.	2,925
Just In Time	2,550
Lancashire Boy	200
Lancashire Lass	2,800
Lucky	1,000
Moonlight View	2,375
National Defence	500
National Bride	1,200
Pinfarthings	—
Rose Jane	1,050
Silkylight	10,751
Sunlight View	2,000
Tampa Bay	—
The Giant Panda	—
	\$49,955

(* value of three Cups included). It will be seen that Silkylight heads the list with \$10,751 and the amount is \$562 higher than that won by Frenchie belonging to Mrs. T. E. Pearce in 1933. It is interesting to relate that five China ponies out of 25 failed to collect a cent, but Jober and Lancashire Lass weighed out 10 times.



Lieut. Walters, of H.M.S. Medway, the Navy left-wing three-quarter, who has been playing consistently well for the Navy rugby fifteen in the Triangular Tournament this season.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

Donald Budge Again Beats Vines

San Francisco, Jan. 5. In their second professional encounter, Donald Budge again beat Ellsworth Vines by three straight sets. The lanky Californian has won all six sets so far played against Vines.—United Press.

MAKING GOLF HARDER

New Par Figures Ruling For U.S. Women

Edinburgh, Dec. 7. Women's golf will be made slightly more difficult from January 1, according to an announcement of the United States Golf Association, acting on the recommendation of the Women's Committee of the Association, increasing the number of yards suggested as a guide in computing women's par on American courses.

For a par 3 hole the recommendation increases the yardage by ten, and for other holes by about twenty-five, as follows:—
Par 3—Up to 210 yards (instead of 200).
Par 4—211 to 400 yards (instead of 201 to 375).
Par 5—401 to 575 yards (instead of 376 to 550).
Par 6—576 and over (instead of 551 and over).

These figures are not arbitrary. The Association points out that some allowance should be made for the nature of the ground and other difficult conditions, such as the severity of the hazards, especially at a hole where the par is doubtful.

Football

Manila Asked To Come Here

It was decided, at a meeting of the Hongkong Football Association, held on Wednesday night, to invite Manila here during the Chinese New Year Holidays and to send a team to the Philippines at the end of the season.

Negotiations have been going on for some time between the two bodies and Hongkong were waiting for certain information from Manila.

Though no reply had been received from Manila, the Hongkong Football Association, decided, in view of the short time left for arrangements, to invite Manila and proceed with the arrangements.

THREE-GAME SERIES

Confirmation of Manila's acceptance is expected in a few days.

The visitors are to play three games here. The first will be against the Colony, the second against the Combined Chinese and the third and last game against the Reserve team of the Colony.

It was decided that all the games be played at Causeway Bay.

The following were chosen as selectors of the team: Messrs. Wai-ur K. Tsun and H. M. Omar, Cap. E. H. P. Neill and Commissioner Gunner H. Cooper.

Badminton

WANDERERS BEATEN BY SAINTS' "A"

At St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday evening, St. Andrew's "A" beat Wanderers by 6 games to 3 after leading by 8 games to 0.

W. C. Choy and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's) beat E. Zimmermann and J. S. Ho 12-12; lost to S. W. Liang and E. S. Ho 15-21; beat T. J. Ong and C. Y. Yung 21-7.

E. F. Fletcher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's) beat Zimmermann and Ho 12-12; beat Liang and Ho 21-14; lost to Ong and Yung 11-21.

W. M. Gillis and A. E. Brown (St. Andrew's) lost to Zimmermann and Ho 13-21; beat Liang and Ho 21-18; beat Ong and Yung 21-12.

MIXED DOUBLES

Two matches in the Mixed Doubles are down for decision this evening, the programme being as follows: University v. Recrelo St. John's v. Kowloon Tong

"A" Division Fixtures On Monday

The attention of Badminton players is drawn to errors in the handbook concerning the dates of the "A" Division matches. According to the book, matches in 1939 will be played on Friday, January 6 (to-day), and on each subsequent Friday until February 3.

These dates are wrong. The first matches will be played on Monday, January 9, and on every subsequent Monday until the conclusion of the schedule.

HOW DAVIS BROKE THE WORLD'S SNOOKER RECORD

For the eighth time in his life, Joe Davis, world snooker champion, broke the world's record for the highest break at snooker. In the fifth frame in the afternoon of his heat with Alec Brown, in the Daily Mail Gold Cup tournament, at Thurston's Hall, Leicester-square, he potted every ball on the table in a break of 138. Brown, however, won the match in the evening.

Three weeks previously Davis created a record of 137 at Leicester. In 1937 he made 135, to beat a break of 133 by Sidney Smith made in 1936, which at the time it was thought would never be beaten. The highest possible, under normal circumstances, is 147. The record run consisted of the 15 reds, 11 blacks, one pink, two blues, one green, and all the pool balls. The frame went this way: Davis broke; Brown played a safety shot; Davis tried a long pot and missed; Brown failed at a cocked-hat double and left a red near the top left pocket. The reds were well placed. Davis played swiftly and surely, had a few awkward moments, and when, with the pool balls left, Chambers called the score at 111, Davis looked up in surprise and exclaimed: "Why, there is a new record here."

DIFFICULT SHOT

One last and most difficult shot awaited him. Pink, last ball but one, was an almost straight shot into the bottom pocket, and to get on to the black with certainty Davis had to screw the cue ball back.

He looked at the black, smiled confidently, and stood away to chalk his cue. Then he banged the black into the middle of the bag, and with a broad grin stood back while the crowd cheered. Chambers waited patiently for the cheering to die down and then announced quietly the new record.

Only once was Davis's superb confidence affected. As he passed the 100 there was a burst of applause, and as he was addressing for his next shot a spectator broke the silence with a shout, "Why don't you give him a clap, Brown?"

This was Davis's 89th three-figure break, and his tenth since the present season opened. He has high hopes that he will make his hundred before the season ends, a record without parallel in this game, and the equal of any sporting record in the world.

Candidates For Sullivan 1938 Award

Prominent Golfers Also Mentioned

Washington, D.C., Dec. 29. A list of ten candidates for the 1938 Sullivan Award, made by the National Amateur Athletic Union to the athlete voted as the year's outstanding sportsman or sportswoman, has been handed to the A.A.U. by the Sullivan Award Committee. The list is as follows:—

Charles (Chuck) Fenske, miler from University of Wisconsin.

Joe Burk, National Sculling Champion, of Philadelphia.

Charles E. Yates, British amateur golf champion and Walker Cup team star, of Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Katherine Rawls Thompson, swimming star, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Adolf Kiefer, all-round swimming star, of Chicago.

Fred Walcott, Rice University hurdler.

Ray Mallott, Stanford University quarter-miler.

Ben Johnson, sprinter, formerly of Columbia University.

Don Lash, former Indiana University middle-distance and distance running star, now a policeman in Indiana.

Miss Patty Berg, national women's golf champion, of Minneapolis.

The winner's name will be announced early in the New Year.

Don Budge, tennis star, received the award last year.—Reuter.

TENNIS STARS RESIGN FROM COMMITTEE

Because they felt that they had been slighted by the regular members of the Lawn Tennis Association's Selection Committee, tennis stars H. G. N. Lee and E. R. Avory, co-opted members of the committee, have resigned.

Lee and Avory were appointed last year on the recommendation of the seeded players as being in touch with modern conditions and having a better knowledge of the players likely to be chosen for international matches.

Avory said that, in addition to their feeling that they had been slighted, they felt that the L.T.A. was out of touch with modern conditions.

"When the mixed doubles team to represent Britain in the forthcoming tour to South Africa was selected, neither Lee nor myself was invited to attend," Avory added.

"The omission to ask us was put down to a slip, but nobody at that meeting seems to have asked, 'Where are Lee and Avory?' Nothing has been done to explain why we were not asked."

"Lee and I were appointed to represent the players because, being young and recently in the lawn tennis, it was supposed that we knew more about modern conditions than the regular members who have served since the war."

"But what is the good if no notice is taken of what we say?" H. G. N. Lee is an old British Davis cup player and E. R. Avory is an international.

There are no active players on the selection committee.

St. Andrew's Hockey Teams Announced

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Caer Clark match against the "Y" Ladies to-morrow at 2.45 p.m. on the "Y" Ground. J. Hall, M. Roza, G. White, H. Reid, J. Wong, P. Pettigrew, F. Wong, E. Churn, P. Gittins, A. Greiner and L. Gittins.

BROWN CUP

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brown Cup match against Recrelo "B" to-morrow at 4 p.m. on the C.B.A. Ground.

R. Rose, D. Chow, J. Broadbridge, M. Newman, M. Vessons, H. O'Sullivan, P. Jeffreys, Y. Ho, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

HOCKEY MATCHES WITH MACAO

Macao, Jan. 4. Keen enthusiasm has been the keynote in local sports circles over the announcement that the Macao Hockey Club's first eleven will engage a team of the Royal Navy consisting of officers on Sunday, Jan. 8. The match will be played in Macao.

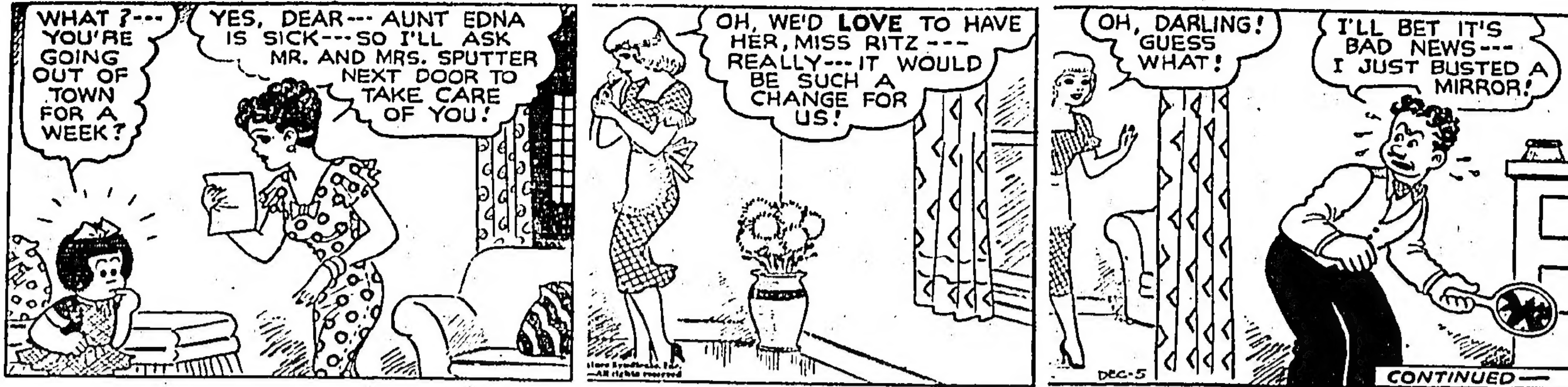
Other fixtures for following week-ends have also been arranged and it is learned that the Hongkong Police team will visit Macao on Jan. 15, and the 1st and 2nd elevens of the Y.M.C.A. will play here on Jan. 22. A further match scheduled for this month is to take place on Jan. 29 when the team of the 1st Kuman Rifles will be seen.—Our Own Correspondent.



Miss Maton, the youngest member and "right-winger" of the Seaford Ladies' team. She is only 13.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



SIX INTERESTING EVENTS FOR MACAO

SHANGHAI 4 SHOULD WIN OPENING RACE: SZECHUEN HANDICAP

(By "Captain Foster")

Fairly good entries have been received for the January Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club to be held at Arca Preta on Sunday. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

Attention of racegoers is drawn to the fact that the s.s. Taisian will depart from the Canton steamers' wharf at 9.30 a.m., returning from Macao at 6 p.m. instead of 3.30 a.m. on Monday morning.

A programme of six interesting events will be presented, the opening race being the Szechuen Handicap (first section) for the Macao subscription "Y" class China ponies over nine furlongs. Shanghai 4 has been set to shoulder the top weight and I gather that he is in better condition than when I saw him at the last meeting. Fairy Auk, the winner of the Macao Handicap over a mile, has been well looked after by the weight adjuster and this little grey nag of Mrs. F. J. Gellion is only 4 lbs. behind the Macao champion. A good tussle between these two is assured, but my fancy is Shanghai 4. Hogmanay should secure a place.

The Chinghai Handicap (first section) for "E" class China ponies is a sprint over six furlongs and it looks that Stymlie will give Mac's Adventure a good run for the money. The latter, measuring only 132, has to carry an extra of 10 lbs. of lead over the scale weight and this is no joke for a tiny-foal. We must not, however, overlook Yum Sing and National Triumph, the former having a good reputation for a short distance trip. I, of course, like Stymlie because he has a liking for the Portuguese course. The two low weighters, Cricketer and National Dignity, are not out of the race and I would certainly recommend Cricketer for a long shot.

ANYTHING MAY HAPPEN

We should see a good scramble over half-a-mile in the Kansu Handicap for "D" class China ponies, for anything may happen in this event. When they clashed in the King Wu Handicap over six furlongs run in Macao on December 11, Double Chance (winner) was in receipt of a pound from Good Morning and Gold Sovereign who finished second and third respectively, whereas on Sunday Double Chance has been asked to concede 10 lbs. to the two mares for a beating of three lengths. Somehow or other, Gold Sovereign has always done well in Macao and with the adjustment of the lead in his favour his chance is very rosy. National Anthem is nicely weighted and he may upset the applicant. The Leopard has never made the excursion, but Cuban Love and Wenning should be respected. In the Szechuen Handicap (second section) for "Y" class China ponies over nine furlongs, Courceur Bleu

looks a good thing to me, but he must keep an eye on Merry Fatty who has done pretty well in his last two outings. Rothsay Bay and Gold Clause are both dangerous.

The Chinghai Handicap (second section) for "E" class China ponies is to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races and the journey is over the six furlongs course. Persian Cat is trained in Macao and I should the pet be in the same condition when he finished second to Dark Hazard in the Yuchang Handicap. I cannot see anything to beat him. Cloudy Star and Eagle should fill the other two places in the frame.

Not being provided with a list of entries for the Ladies scurry (unofficial) over three furlongs, I much regret that the tipping must be left to readers' discretion.

SELECTIONS

My selections for the first five events are as follows:

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Shanghai 4
Fairy Auk
Hogmanay

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Stymlie
Yum Sing
Mac's Adventure

KANSU HANDICAP

Gold Sovereign
Double Chance
National Anthem

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Courceur Bleu
Merry Fatty
Rothsay Bay

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Persian Cat
Cloudy Star
Eagle

Job Hunter "Hates Work"

Atlantic City, N. J. An unnamed youth advertised in an Atlantic City newspaper: "Young man, 27, hates work. Desires easy job with short hours and large salary. Local references."



With all these stars to give it zing and sparkle, 20th Century-Fox's "Sally, Irene and Mary" is the top hit of Darryl F. Zanuck, musical hit-maker. Shown above are (top, left to right) FRED ALLEN, TONY MARTIN, LOUISE HOVICK, GREGORY RATOFF, and JIMMY DURANTE. The three sirens of swing (below) in search of social security are (left to right) ALICE FAYE, JOAN DAVIS and MARJORIE WEAVER. The picture is being shown at the King's Theatre.

INDOOR BOWLING

Match Between Officers Of H.M.S. Cardiff

Wardroom Officers and Stoker Petty Officers of H.M.S. Cardiff met in an eight-a-side bowling match at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys on Wednesday, the latter winning by 526-509.

It is understood that the match was a return game to one played in Weihaiwei, and bowling being in the "Weihaiwei" style, scoring was considerably lower than it would have been had the orthodox methods been used. The match was a most enjoyable one, and a rousing evening was spent.

Beauty Shop In School

Teledo, O. A school-maintained tearoom and beauty shop are to be used as training grounds for girls attending the new Macomber Vocational High school. The two shops are to be operated on a non-profit basis.

Rifle Shooting

Major Walker Presents New Challenge Cup

An eleven-shot spoon shoot was held on Wednesday at 200 and 500 yards, time not permitting the firing at 600 yards. The light, good at start, was variable at 600 yards, with a mild wind blowing down the range.

C/Sgt. Hale won the S.R. (b) Nett Spoon with a 95 from E. A. Templeton and Sgt. Cooper, and P. O. Richards lost narrowly to obtain the Nett Spoon from Private Wood, of the Royal Scots in the S.R. (a) freers.

An S.R. (a) Thirty Roll has been introduced, and the President of the Association, Major Walker, has kindly presented a Challenge Cup for this event. Owing to the lateness in the season, six scores only need be recorded with the four best to count, and in order to give members an opportunity of proceeding with this competition, the shoot next week will be a seven-shot one at 300, 500 and 600 yards. Revolver targets also, in future, will be available for practice. Clubs are reminded that entries close for the Bellillo Shield on January 15.

The leading scores of the spoon shoot are as under:

S.R. (b)

C/Sgt. P. Hale	200	500	716
Sgt. V. W. Cooper	47	48	95
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S.R. (a)

P.O. H. Richards	43	44	87
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STONECUTTERS' RANGE

The usual good scores were returned at Stonecutters at the weekend shoot. Weather conditions were good. In the S.R. (b) Clans, Templeton again headed the list with a 97. The following were the leading scores:

S.R. (b)

E.A. H. J. Templeton	200	500	716
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S.R. (a)

P.O. H. Richards	200	300	500	716
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*denotes winner of the "Nett" Spoon.
*denotes winner of the "Handicap" Spoon.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)

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SPORT ADVTs.

THE MACAO JOCKEY CLUB

The January Race Meeting will be held at Arca Preta, Macao, on Sunday, 8th January, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. approximately.

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OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Sally, Irene and Mary" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Although this film breaks no new ground in the way of musical shows as we know them, it provides better than average entertainment because of the good work of a few of the stars, principally Alice Faye, Joan Davis, Marjorie Weaver, Jimmy Durante and Tony Martin, not to mention Fred Allen and Gregory Ratoff. There are some catchy tunes, with quite a bit of comedy.

"The Rat" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—One of the most well-known English stage successes brought to the screen. Produced in England, this picture is memorable chiefly for the splendid dramatic performances of the three main characters, Anton (Alfred) Walbrook, Ruth Chatterton (of American stage and screen fame) and Rene Ray. Ever Novello's play relies chiefly on its melodramatic sentimental appeal, and in this the director, Jack Raymond, has made a good job of it.

"Faint Desert" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Hearty exchanges of wit, horse-riding and trigger work are the highlights of this "Western" yarn, with that old reliable he-man, George O'Brien, as the hero. Here is a film which will go well with youngsters, and also with those who like a change from the usual glut of sophisticated pictures.

"Beloved Enemy" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—Brian Aherne and Merle Oberon are a new team in pictures and they are together here in a background of international intrigue. "Lancer Spy" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Brisk melodrama of intrigue which introduces a new potential star named George Sanders. Because of their strong resemblance, a British naval captain is sent to Germany as a spy to impersonate a German officer. After various narrow escapes, he learns the secret he has been sent for, but reaches Switzerland only with the aid of a beautiful counter-spy who gives her life for his. Dolores del Rio, Peter Moore, Joseph Schildkraut and Virginia Field are also in the cast.

Mrs. Gregory As 'Hoochie' Dancer

New York. MRS. BOB GREGORY, wife of the wrestler and youngest daughter of the Tajah of Sarawak, reported in a Hollywood studio recently for her first movie role and was told that she had been cast as a "hoochie-cochie" dancer in a circus sideshow. Inspecting the skimpy costume she will wear, Mrs. Gregory commented: "It's lucky father and mother are 4,000 miles away. If marrying Bob angered them, I'd hate to see their faces when they learn about this."

KOWLOON CLUB GOLF Starting Times Arranged For Lanford Trophy

The following starting times have been arranged by the Kowloon Golf Club for the Lanford Trophy competition, which will be played on Sunday, January 8:

One Club Competition
M. L. da Rosa, with a score of 92-12=60, won the One Club Competition played on New Year's Day. There was a total of 13 entries.

December Medal Pool
A. E. Davies, with a score of 77-14=63, won the Medal Pool for December, T. D. Paton was runner-up with 73-6=87. There was a total of 9 entries.

Bucknell Plans Pensions

Lewisburg, Pa. Bucknell University will inaugurate the Carnegie system of retirement pensions for faculty members next February. It calls for contributions by teachers of 5 per cent. of their salaries monthly, which is matched by a like amount by the university.

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4-American Indian food-plant

13-Continuous drumming

16-Country in Asia

18-Joes in

19-Corsetry abounds

20-Feet-in-mind

21-Taken out

22-Valuable fertilizer

23-Sliding weight on

24-Used in

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Whisk the egg whites stiffly, and fold in lightly. Turn the mixture into prepared ring, cover securely with greased paper, and steam gently 1½ hours. Turn out carefully, and serve with whipped and sweetened cream.

Many of us buy our mincemeat from the shops, but if you wish to set something before your guests that is out of the ordinary, try making:

Orange Mincemeat

6 oranges;
2 lemons;
1½ lb. cranberries;
½ lb. raisins;
2 lb. sugar.

Grate the rind from the oranges and lemons, then cut the pulp into slices, discarding the white membrane and pips. Wash and mince the cranberries. Stone and chop raisins.

Put all the fruit into a large saucepan, and add the sugar. Cook very slowly till thick (1 hour). Pour into jars. This can be used when cold, or cover jars and keep for several weeks.

Make this orange mincemeat into tarts in the following way:—Mix 9 oz. of rich shortcrust. Roll out on floured board, and stamp into rounds with a fluted cutter. Line some party tins with these rounds, pressing the pastry thinner in the base of each tin. Line these with buttered paper, and fill with rice or corn.

Put the pastry cases into a hot oven to bake 10 minutes. Remove paper linings, and allow pastry to

Baby's Skin

EVERY baby is born with a fine super-delicate skin that requires very special care if it is to carry its healthy beauty into later years.

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Baby should be washed by lathering him all over with the hands and then rinsing and drying him as quickly as possible. "All over" does not include his face, only the head and scalp. The face is washed just in plain warm water and then gently patted dry. Baby should always be dried very thoroughly and gently by patting with a fine towel.

The bath should be given in the morning to very small babies, and after three months they rest better if it is given at night. After the evening bath an oil rub is most beneficial and relaxing, and keeps the skin in perfect condition—and it is fattening as well. Use warm oil—either olive or sweet almond oil. Massage very gently and thoroughly into the baby's skin and then dust with the finest baby powder procurable.

Every mother learns the care of baby's eyes, nose, ears, and mouth before the nurse leaves. She should learn, too, the attention that should be given to her own fingernails and hands before touching baby. His nails, also, must have their simple manicure—both toe and fingernails.

Then his scalp must come in for its share of attention. It must be kept clean with pure soap and cool, boiled water and oiled frequently.

When the child grows older and begins to run about, even more constant attention to cleanliness and prevention of infection is necessary.

Finish off cooking. When they are cold, fill each tart with mincemeat, and decorate with whipped cream.

Note:—This mincemeat, containing no meat, is delicious even cold, but if hot tarts are required simply heat mincemeat in a pan for a few minutes before filling pastry cases.

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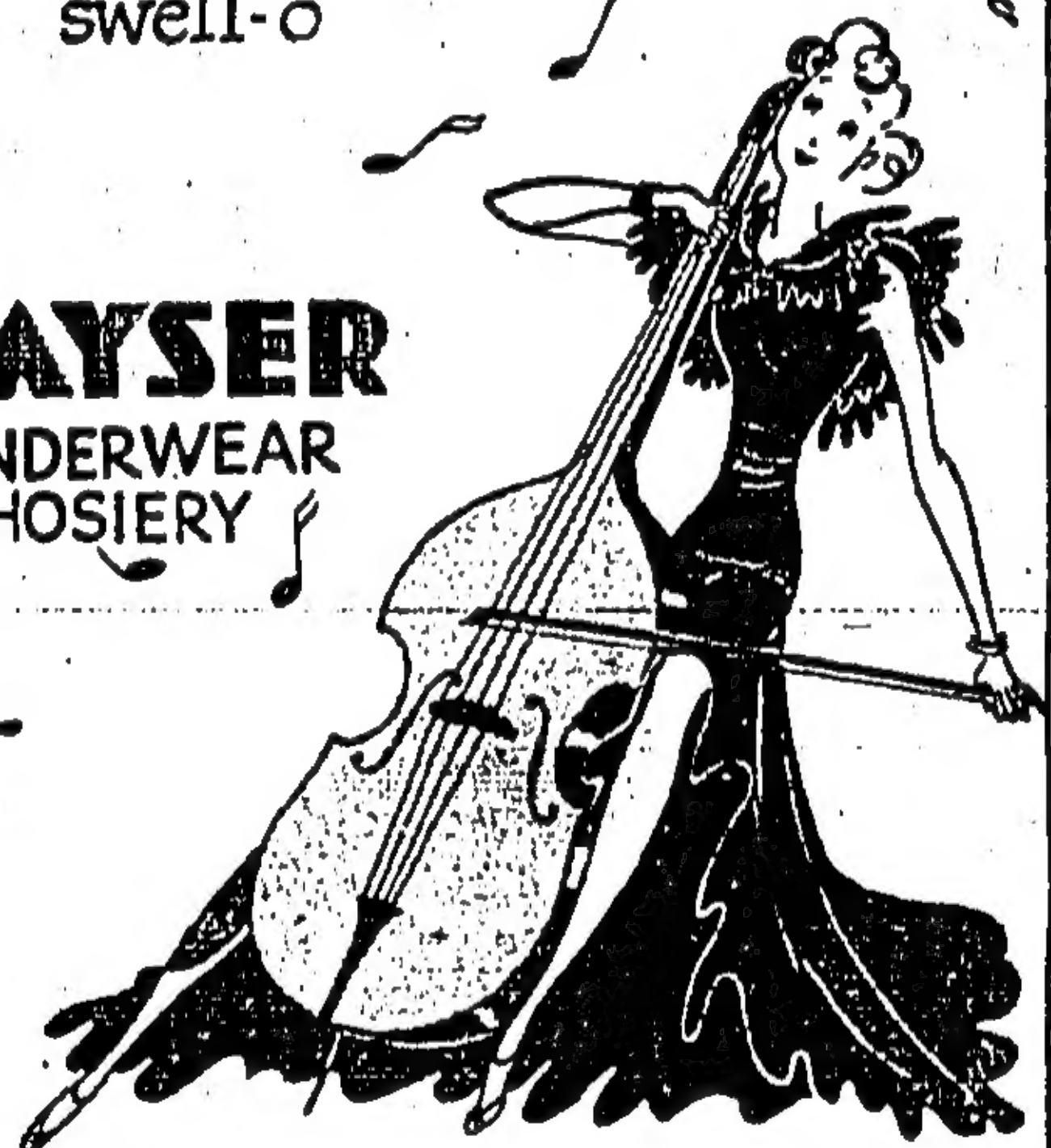
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GAMBLING ALLEGED

Defendant Claims Was In Aid of Charity

On Christmas Eve, Acting Sub-Inspector J. Edwards raided the Grand View Film Company in Pak Tai Street, Kowloon, and arrested the manager and 11 other men, on gambling charges.

Yesterday, the manager, Chiu Shun, 35, and a painter Chau Shing-ka, 20, were charged before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court with keeping a common gaming house on the ground floor of No. 83 Pak Tai Street. Ten other men were arrested with having gambled on the premises.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, and all the defendants were represented by Mr. D. McCullum, who pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Whyatt said that on the morning of December 24 a constable named Ho Sang received certain information. Acting Sub-Inspector J. Edwards and other officers went to the place at midnight. Ho Sang entered first, and saw a large number of people. He mingled with these people, who were playing pai kau (a game played with dominoes), and saw the second defendant hand two red cards to one of the gamblers with the words "This is \$10, there is 30 cents commission." The person addressed took the cards and handed over to the second defendant 30 cents, which was dropped into a tin box.

Sub-Inspector Edwards then entered the house with the rest of the police party. A great deal of confusion was caused and only the defendants were arrested. The first defendant was pointed out as the man in charge, and when questioned he admitted this, saying that the affair was a charity show.

After Ho Sang and Sub-Inspector Edwards had testified first defendant gave evidence that recently there was formed a Grand View Athletic Club in conjunction with the Film Company. On December 24 a carnival was held to raise money for refugees. All the money collected was to be given to the National Women's Relief Association. In the game of pai kau paper cards were won, and these were to be used by the winners to play at the various other amusement stalls, including darts and ball games, on the premises. The cards could be exchanged for prizes.

Mr. Whyatt: You agree with me that pai kau is a game of chance?

Witness: Yes.

Being the manager of the place you could have stopped them playing it?—Yes.

The hearing was adjourned until 11.30 a.m. on Monday.

INQUEST VERDICT

Coroner Recommends Safeguards

A recommendation that the Tramway Company should take steps to provide a bumper on the rails in their road, was made by the Coroner, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, when a verdict of accidental death was given by him at the conclusion of the inquiry into the death of Wong Cheung, 41, a fitter of the Company. No jury was empanelled.

The inquiry was conducted by Traffic-Sergeant G. Youe for the police, while Mr. A. Gillard, chief traffic assistant, and Mr. J. K. Longhorn, workshop superintendent, both of the Tramway Company, attended.

Deceased died on December 8 following an accident in the Tramway Depot in Russell Street on October 26, while engaged in oiling the underneath part of a tramcar parked over an inspection pit.

The cause of death was said to be a collision between cars Nos. 26 and 27 in the Depot, when the man apparently was crushed.

Mr. Forrest said the fatality might have been prevented if a permanent obstruction had been placed on the rails in such a position as to prevent a car from approaching any nearer than the desired distance from the main head of the No. 3 pit. He further recommended that the Tramway Company should take steps to provide such a bumper, which might be made movable if desired.

OBITUARY

Retired Military Officer Dies

Tokyo, Jan. 5. General Keli Machida, retired, died at his residence in Tokyo last night at the age of 74.—Domest.

General Machida, who was President of the Tenshokai and Chuyi Kenshokai, graduated from the Military Academy in 1887 and the Military Staff College in 1893. Among his appointments were Attaché to the Japanese Legation in Peking, Second Secretary of the General Staff Office and Supreme War Councillor. He also commanded the 11th and 4th Divisions, retiring in 1925.

PROMINENT PEOPLE

Recent Deaths Reported From London

London, Dec. 28. The following deaths were reported during the past week:

At 20, Hill Street, London, W., Colonel the Hon. Sir Sidney Peel, Bart., C.B., D.S.O., the third son of the first Viscount Peel, at the age of 68. He was British Plenipotentiary to the Tariff Conference in China, 1925 to 1926.

Dr. Richard Reisch, formerly Austrian Minister of Finance and first President of the Austrian National Bank, at the age of 72.

Mr. Raymond Harvey de Montmorency, at Mountmorres, Sunningdale, at the age of 67. He was in his day a very well-known master at Eton, where he served for 27 years. He was a fine player of ball games, and especially of golf, and had a large circle of friends among game players.

Sir Walter Raine, Conservative M.P. for Sunderland from 1922 to 1929, at his home at Sunderland at the age of 64. Born in 1874, son of Mr. John Raine, he was a native of Sunderland, and for many years had taken a leading part in public affairs in Sunderland and the North-east.—Our Own Correspondent.

REGISTRY WEDDINGS

Four Chinese weddings took place yesterday before Mr. T. J. Gould Deputy Registrar of Marriages, at the Registry.

Mr. Tso Pun-to, assistant accountant at the National Cash Register Co., married Miss Mak Lai-ching, of 14 Gage Street. The witnesses were Mrs. Mak Hin-ming and Mr. Cheung Wai-men.

Mr. Lam Wing-hung, editor of the Wah Kiu Yat Po, married Miss Kwok Wai-han, of 78 Wal Ching Street. The witnesses were Messrs. Wong Chee-ping and Lam Kam-hung.

Mr. Ng Cheong-ling, engineer, married Miss Phyllis Nyuk Tung-ling, of the Chinese Y.W.C.A. The witnesses were Miss Helen Barbara Yee, and Mr. Quek Cheng-lim.

Mr. Chan Kang-chuen, clerk of Messrs. Lyson and Hall, married Miss Fan Shuk-hing. The witnesses were Messrs. Mak Yew and Ip Ping-fan.

LATE NEWS

DISGRACEFUL ACT

Constable Convicted Of Assault on Woman

"It is a disgraceful matter for a police officer to commit an assault of this nature," declared Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday, when passing sentence of one month's hard labour on a constable Ku Shi-yuen, 26, charged with assaulting a woman in a house in Reclamation Street on December 14.

Ku was alleged to have struck and kicked the woman, who received serious injuries. It was said that the woman and Ku were friends but trouble arose between them.

The defendant was also charged with having been absent from duty on an anti-piracy guard on board the Hoihow on December 14, and on this count was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Ku was further ordered to pay \$10 to the woman complainant as compensation or, undergo another two weeks' hard labour.

One of the sentences was dated December 21, as this was the day when Ku first appeared before Mr. Macfadyen. He was remanded several times because the woman was in hospital.

Mr. R. H. E. Marks, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Kowloon, said that Ku failed to go on duty, and did not report his absence from the steamer to any police station. He was located the day after the assault. The defendant's record showed that he had been absent from duty on five other occasions.

Defendant denied having struck complainant, saying that she had fallen down and hurt herself as he caught hold of her wrist and asked her to go out with him. He missed the Hoihow by accident.

FINED FOR ASSAULT

Witness Who Gave False Name and Address

Li Yai-nun, 28-year-old clerk, was fined \$20, and ordered to pay \$2 as compensation to Chan Chiu, a bus conductor, when convicted on a charge of assault, by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday.

At the previous day's hearing, Li was alleged to have struck the conductor when he got on the bus, as the bus did not stop when he signalled it. The case was adjourned in order to subpoena a witness for the prosecution, but the witness was present in court, as he had apparently given the Police a wrong name and address.

MEDICAL RELIEF

University Union To Hold Flag Day

The Hongkong University Union Chinese Medical Relief Association will hold a Flag Day on Saturday morning. Besides the women undergraduates, there will be volunteers from the Sacred Heart School, Diocesan Girls' School, Holy Spirit School, School of the Maryknoll Sisters, St. Paul's Girls' College, St. Stephen's Girls' College, Ying Wah Girls' School, Young Chung Girls' School and Yuek Che School.

The funds raised will be devoted to the relief of wounded soldiers in China, and the refugees in the New Territories.

The Association has already donated a complete set of surgical instruments and an ambulance to the medical corps of the 4th Route Army. Last year it supported two doctors for six months to help the League of Nations' Anti-epidemic Unit in Hunan. The excellent Training School in Changsha for nurses and dressers, under the direction of Dr. R. Lim, also received quite substantial support from this Association. During Christmas vacation, its members took turns to serve in the Shun Chun refugee camp. In order to continue its work, the Association now organises this Flag Day, which the public, it is hoped, will give its full support.

The same day, the University Union will hold a Charity Dance in the Great Hall of the University at 8.30 p.m., in aid of the above-named Association.

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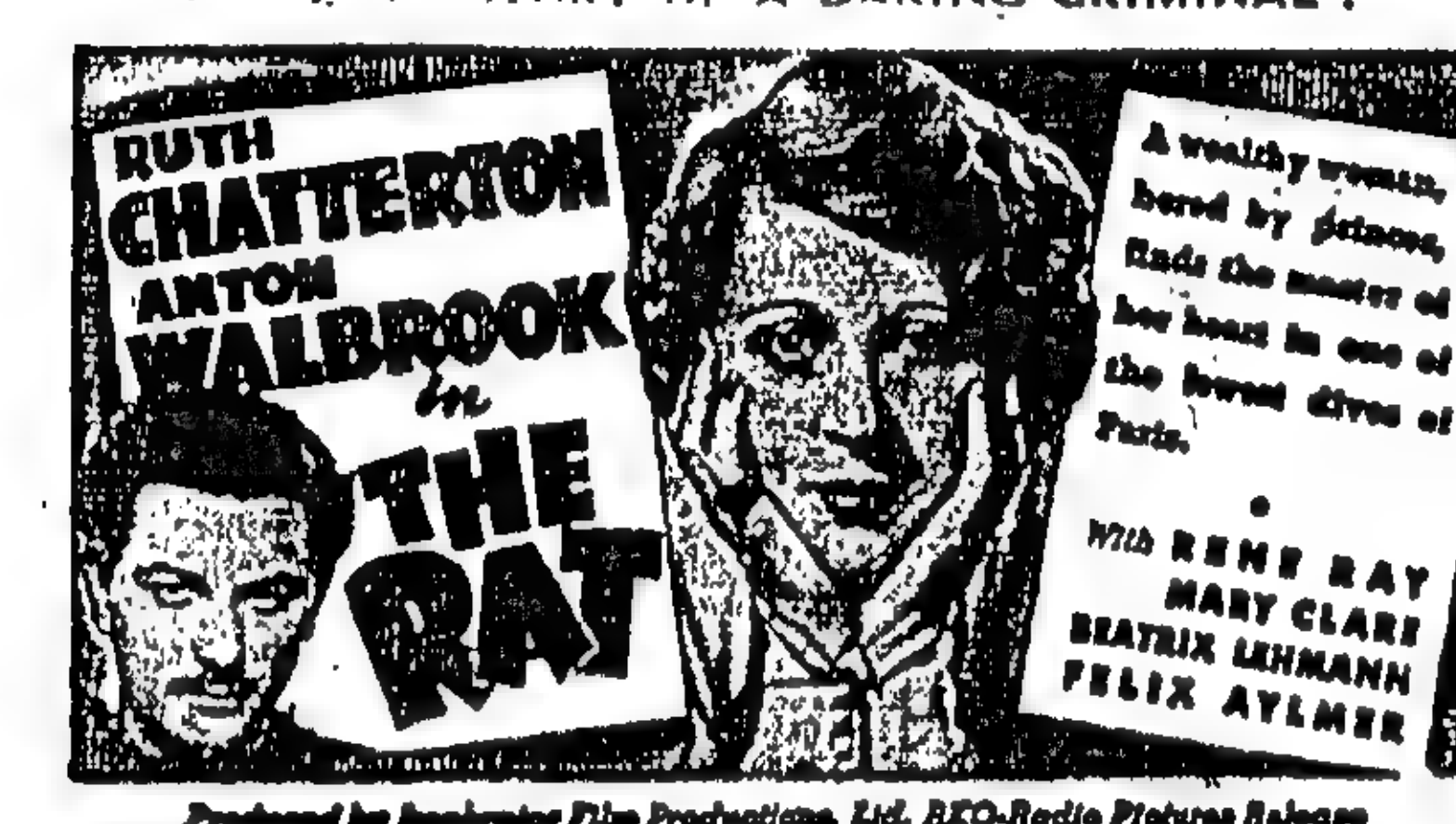
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Chun Fat, 33, master of trading junk No. T09711, reports that about 4 p.m. on January 2 he sailed from Tai Ming Village, Tung Kwan, Chinese territory, with a cargo of grain, rice, powder, brass and silver ornaments, and also an unnumbered quantity of Hongkong, Chinese and Japanese silver, currency pieces. There were five passengers on his junk.

The junk was proceeding towards Un Long, but about 7 p.m. when it neared Deep Bay, just off Mong Tsang Point, it was halted by two sampans, carrying six men in each. Six shots were fired by the men in the sampans after which they boarded the junk. Seven of the men from the sampans were armed with revolvers, and one of them struck Chan on the head with his revolver. All the passengers and crew of the junk were locked in the hold, and the robbers left with the cargo of grain, brass, silver, and powder ornaments. The total value of the loss is \$780.

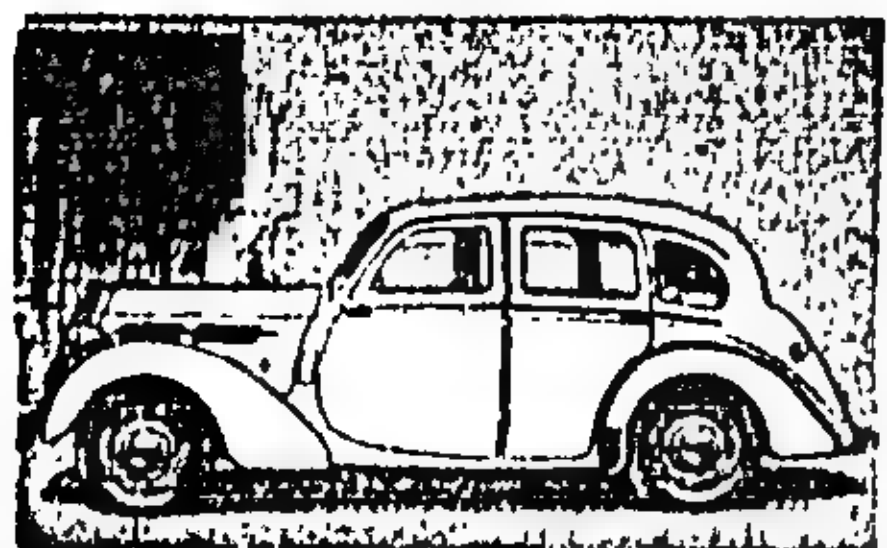
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PREMIER REJOICES AT U.S. SPEECH

LONDON, Jan. 5.
MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, in a statement issued at No. 10 Downing Street on President Roosevelt's message to Congress says:

"Nobody who is charged with the heavy responsibilities of government could fail to be impressed by the solemn words with which President Roosevelt greeted the elected representatives of the American people."

"In these islands, where there is so clear a realization that only through freedom and peace can we hope to maintain and develop for ourselves and for those who come after us the benefits for which we have laboured for generations, the sentiments expressed by the President will be welcomed as yet another indication of the vital role of American democracy in world affairs, and its devotion to the ideal of ordered, human progress."

WELCOMED BY LONDON PRESS
London, Jan. 5.
London newspapers welcome President Roosevelt's speech.

The "Daily Telegraph" believes that it portends more than a passive attitude to world affairs.

The "Daily Herald" says that President Roosevelt's words and actions encourage those nations who need encouragement, and warn those who need warning.

ACTION SOON AGAINST
TOTALITARIANS?

Washington, Jan. 5.
Circles here see in President Roosevelt's speech a hint of economic action against Germany and Japan.

BITTER BERLIN COMMENTS
Berlin, Jan. 5.

The flames of the German press indignation over certain points in President Roosevelt's message to Congress, were fanned to-day by the statement of Senator Key Pittman, that he believed the American Government had decided not to abide by protests in the future, but to support these with moral, financial, and economic sanctions.

This assertion is regarded by the German press as a concrete interpretation of President Roosevelt's more general statements.

"Zentz of American Cynicism," "Hunger an Weapon Against Germany," "Roosevelt Is Developing Into a Super-Wilson." These were the headlines of the "Berliner Lokal Anzeiger," while the "Berliner Nachrichten" had headlines: "Roosevelt Considers Sanctions War," and "Dangerous Foreign Aims."

Turning repeatedly to the question of why President Roosevelt insists upon attacking the Authoritarian States, the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" writes: "He has presented the invasion threat to the American people in order to obtain their consent for higher expenditures. Since the American people are willing at the present time, to support the rearmament programme, President Roosevelt has taken a bold chance, and by combining internal politics with foreign policy, has hit a social programme to the defence (Continued on Page 12.)"

COUGH THE WORLD HEARD



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT
SOME OF THE personal magnetism of President Roosevelt came to Hongkong last night. During the 9.30 p.m. relay by ZBW, the Davenry news bulletin, a short electrical transcription of portion of the President's address to Congress was given.

The entire speech was relayed by the B.B.C. in England. Reception in Hongkong was so clear last night that it was impossible to realise that the voice of the President had travelled 20,000 miles before reaching local receivers. The President spoke solemnly, emotionally. He was greeted by a tremendous ovation and the parts of the speech relayed last night were frequently punctuated by crashing applause.

WAR IN SPAIN

"Murder" Charge By British Commission

LONDON, Jan. 5.
"ALL EVIDENCE in our possession indicates that the bombing of Barcelona on New Year's Eve was a deliberate attack on human life, with bombs designed for that purpose," declares the report of the British Commission for the investigation of air bombardments in Spain, issued by the Foreign Office to-day.

The report adds that the attack was made at a moment when the (Continued on Page 12.)

British Defence In Far East

SINGAPORE, Jan. 5.

THE FIRST STEP in Great Britain's plan, announced last month, for strengthening Empire defences in the Far East was announced in Singapore to-day by the General Officer Commanding the British Forces in Malaya, Major General Dobbie.

The G.O.C. officially revealed to-day that it was intended to station a garrison at Penang.

The number of troops comprising the garrison has not been revealed.

Penang is regarded as the back door to the great Singapore Naval Base where, it is understood, a new Pacific Squadron will be stationed in the near future.

This Squadron, which will be in addition to the existing Far Eastern Squadron stationed at Hongkong, will probably include at least one or two battleships and an aircraft carrier.

It was announced some time ago, before the outbreak of hostilities between China and Japan, that the existing garrison of troops at Hongkong was also to be increased to six battalions.

This increase will probably take place as soon as the new cantonment in Kowloon is completed. Plans, which will cost \$20,000,000, for this cantonment have already been prepared. (United Press.)

Great R.A.F. Reserve To Be Built Up

LONDON, Jan. 5.

PROLONGATION of the short-term service in the British air force from four to six years, will, according to the "Evening Standard" shortly be enacted.

The paper says that the Air Ministry had urgently recommended such a measure, to which the Treasury is not averse.

Instead of the £300 which every pilot now received after completing four years of active service, and on commencing six years in the reserve force, pilots will in future, under the new scheme be paid £500 after six years active service.

The report does not indicate whether the period of six years service in the reserve force will be retained, or if it will also be prolonged.

The paper stresses that the recruiting campaign for the air force in 1939 will be of unprecedented dimensions, notably among the students at public and grammar schools who have hitherto furnished the majority of pilots. (Trans-Ocean.)

ANGLO-U.S. PROTESTS

Chungking, Jan. 6.

THE BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL in Shanghai sent a memorandum to the Japanese authorities yesterday, raising opposition to any revision of the tariff in North China as reported.

A protest over the revision is understood to have already been sent by the U.S. Consulate-General in Shanghai a few days ago. (Central News.)

Democrats Nominate Supreme Court Judge

Washington, Jan. 5.
Professor Felix Frankfurter, of the Harvard Law School, has been named an associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court by President Roosevelt, in succession to Judge Cardozo who died last July.

Professor Frankfurter, who is of Australian-Jewish descent, is an outspoken champion of Liberalism, and is highly sympathetic with the New Deal objectives.

His nomination is likely to lead to a struggle in the Senate when it comes up for confirmation. (Reuter.)



LORETTA YOUNG

Loretta Young's Friend Gaoled

Philippine Islands'

Fraud Charge

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.

WILLIAM BUCKNER, member of one of America's most prominent insurance families—said to be engaged to Loretta Young, the film star—has pleaded Not Guilty to charges of fraud in connection with a recent boom in Philippine Railway bonds.

William J. Gillespie, a well-known Wall Street broker and one of Buckner's associates, has similarly pleaded.

Buckner and Gillespie were arrested as they arrived in New York from England in the Queen Mary. They were accused of frauds totalling U.S.\$1,000,000.

The two men are alleged to have spread false "inside information" last January which caused a boomlet in Wall Street and foreign exchanges in the Philippine Islands bonds.

The police further allege the two men took five beautiful showgirls by air to Washington in August, 1937, and threw a party in an attempt to influence legislators.

Shortly after his arrest Buckner was permitted to make a long-distance telephone call to Loretta Young in Hollywood.

He spoke endearingly to her and apologized for being unable to keep a week-end engagement with her, but said: "Don't worry, I'll be out to see you soon."

Miss Young said: "I know Mr. Buckner very well. I have been out with him many times here, and I like him—both marriage and otherwise." (United Press.)

Japan's Propaganda Denied In London

London, Jan. 5.

A categorical denial that Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador to London telegraphed to Chiang Kai-shek, urging acceptance of Wang Ching-wei's peace proposals, has been issued by the Chinese Embassy.

The statement confirms that Mr. Quo Tai-chi instead telegraphed Wang Ching-wei "as a close friend," strongly urging him to "abandon his move."

The Tragedy of An Old Man's Broken Leg

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.

AMBULANCE SIRENS shrieked. Police whistles shrieked. A large and sympathetic crowd gathered around.

There was no doubt that the somewhat inebriated old gentleman lying in the gutter—he apparently had been celebrating the New Year overlong—had broken his leg.

Tenderly they lifted him into the ambulance, and conveyed him to hospital.

Doctors confirmed the diagnosis. Undoubtedly, the man had a broken leg.

The doctors also discovered something else. The broken leg was a wooden one. (United Press.)

WANG CHING-WEI TO DEFEND ACTION

THE "TELEGRAPH" UNDERSTANDS that Wang Ching-wei, former Chungking Minister, will issue a statement to-morrow, denying the charge that he is a traitor to China, and setting forth the reasons for his departure for French Indo-China.

Wang Ching-wei is still in Hanoi. The statement, it is understood, will be issued by his representatives in Hongkong.

In the statement, Wang Ching-wei, it is understood, will launch charges against the Communist Party's activities in China.

He will state that China's greatest menace is Communism and will charge that the Chinese communists are disseminating among the people the slogan: "If China should lose to Japan it is better for her to go to Soviet Russia."

The reported statement to be issued by Wang Ching-wei is said to contain the allegation that the Communist leader, Mr. Chow En-lai, is requesting Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to issue a manifesto to the effect that San Min Chai—the three Principles of the People—is Communism.

It is reported that Wang Ching-wei has drafted a plan for collection by the Government of all private deposits in banks, including foreign banks in Hongkong and Shanghai.

TREASURY ENDS GOLD SPECULATION

LONDON, Jan. 5.

IN CONNECTION with the recent heavy speculation in sterling, "Reuter" learns from reliable sources that all banks and bullion firms have been asked by the Treasury to refrain from aiding speculation against sterling, either by means of loans against gold, speculation in gold, or in foreign exchange.

It is further understood that all banks operating in the countries adhering to the tripartite agreement, have received a similar request. (Reuter.)

WALL STREET SURPRISED

New York, Jan. 5.
News from London of the imposition of an embargo on forward dealings in gold has been received with considerable surprise, and sterling consequently strengthened to 4.64½ dollars on bear-covering.

Foreign exchange dealers are of the opinion that the action will prevent a further drop in the value of sterling, at least temporarily, although it does not change the outlook for sterling, which many continue to regard pessimistically.

A Washington message says that it is learned at the Treasury that full co-operation is being extended here to the efforts of the British Treasury.

INSULT TO ITALIAN FLAG, CLAIM

Rome Press Stung
By Tunis Incident

ROME, Jan. 5.

GREAT PROMINENCE is given in the press to the alleged insult to the Italian flag in Tunis on Tuesday.

The "Stampa" describes the incident as criminal, and says that the French carried out acts of aggression in a country which was not juridically under their sovereignty.

The paper adds: "Accounts grow long, but they will be paid down to the last penny according to the demands of justice."

Following the settlement of 20,000 Italian colonists in Libya last year, it is planned to despatch a further 20,000 this year according to the "Giornale d'Italia," which reports that a meeting of high Fascist officials outlined a colonisation programme for 1939 providing for the building of five new villages, six hamlets, and (Continued on Page 12.)

LATEST

Solicitors Fined In Brothel Case

Meers, M. H. Turner and H. J. Armstrong, of Dorset, were each fined \$25 at the Central Magistrate's court this morning for having unlawfully permitted a building to be used as a brothel, after notice had been served upon them of the fact that the occupier of the premises had been convicted of keeping a brothel.

Defendants were trustees of the premises, which are portion of the Paul Chuter estate.

"Defendants had reasonable means of knowing that the premises were being kept as a brothel, but failed to make use of that means," the Magistrate, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest said, in inflicting the fines.

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Further Late News

U.S. BUDGET A RECORD \$3,320 Million Deficit Is Forecast

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S budget for the fiscal year of 1940 shows estimated expenditures at U.S.\$3,995,663,000, and receipts at U.S.\$5,669,320,000, with a result there is a prospective deficit of U.S.\$3,320,343,000.

The estimated receipts are \$320,000,000 higher than those of the current fiscal year, on account of a prospective improvement in the general business of the nation.

The President explained that the expenditure included \$2,600,000,000 for recovery and relief.

The estimated total public debt in (Continued on Page 4.)

COLDEST DAY IN YEAR

HONGKONG'S SUDDEN COLD spell yesterday caught many people unawares and brought, at 3 o'clock this morning, the coldest temperature since last winter.

Between 2 p.m. yesterday, and 3 o'clock this morning there was a drop of almost ten degrees to 49.9 degrees—the first time the mercury has dropped below 50 degrees since last February.

This is how the temperature varied.

3 p.m. 53.5
4 p.m. 54.5
5 p.m. 54.1
6 p.m. 53.7

11 p.m. 52.1
1 a.m. 51
2 a.m. 50.9

7 a.m. 51.4
8 a.m. 51.3
9 a.m. 51.5

COLD WAVE SWEEPS
KWANGSI PROVINCE

Kweilin, Jan. 6.

A bitter cold wave is sweeping over Kweilin. A howling north wind intensifies the bitter weather, which is said to have reached the lowest point.

TEACHER WAS ROBBED OF £7,000

Baden-Powell Films Vanish

The Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, appealed recently for the return of a film projector, screen, and nine reels of film taken from a car belonging to his daughter, the Hon. Heather Baden-Powell, parked in Westbourne-terrace, Bayswater, W., on November 2.

The films are pictures of his world travels and of his grandchildren.

At the home of Lord Baden-Powell in Bletchley, Hampshire, it was announced: "Miss Heather is at present recovering from an accident in the hunting field."

"She left her car outside the flat in London during the night, and when she went to drive it away in the morning she discovered her loss."

"She immediately got in touch with her father, who is now in Kenya, and it was decided to appeal for the return of the films."

Silent Man Terrorises A Town

GIRLS and women in Halifax, Yorkshire, became terror-stricken recently when it was known that two more women and a man had been attacked by a mysterious assailant who slashed at them with something sharp. So far, five people have been attacked.—And in each case the silent attacker—nobody has heard him speak—has escaped.

ATTACKED IN GARDEN

Victim No. 1 40-years-old Mrs. Annie Cannon, of Thackeray-street, was one night attacked in her garden.

Victim No. 2 Mrs. Alice McDonald, of Ashville-gardens, Bolton, was attacked 35 minutes later in similar fashion in Rugby-terrace, Ovenden.

Victim No. 3 Percy Waddington, of Ken Lodge-drive, Elland, was attacked in Lower Edge-road, 2½ miles from the town, at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Cannon was thrown down and hurt her head. The man struck at her and her jumper and blouse were cut.

Mrs. McDonald said: "The man seized my left wrist and struck at me."

"CLAWED HIS FACE" "I clung at his face and freed myself. He ran after me and tore my coat. I fell and noticed that he had bright buckles on his shoes."

Mr. Waddington, who was approached from behind, struggled with the assailant. He received a severe cut on the hand.

During the struggle Mr. Waddington tore a tab from the man's raincoat, but was unable to hold him.

21-years-old Mary Sutcliffe was badly cut on the wrist while she was on her way home after working late.

Mr. Clay Aspinall, a caretaker, was cut on the head and finger.

BY THE MAN SHE TRUSTED

LITTLE Miss Annie Faragher, 64-years-old ex-school-mistress, of Leytonstone, E., told recently how she had been defrauded of all she had—£7,000—by a man whom she had trusted.

"What am I to do now?" she asked. "How am I to buy my books, my clothes? I thought I would be able to live the rest of my days in peace and comfort."

She had just heard Philip Morris Scher, a 42-years-old agent, her "father-in-business," sentenced at the Old Bailey to three years' penal servitude on charges of false pretences, fraudulent conversion, and offences under the Companies Act.

Poorly clad, with an old fur round her neck—a testimony to her financial downfall—Miss Faragher declared:

"At my age there is no recovery. I once had £13,000, legacies left to me by relatives. It was invested in good securities—of course I knew nothing about them."

"Scher called on me and said that if I liked to trust him he would deal with my financial matters."

£50,000 INCOME

"He said his income during 1934 was £50,000, that he lived in a hall at Hendon which cost £3,000, and also that he had been worth £180,000."

"It was not his money that impressed me. It was the thought that I could look to someone to deal with matters entirely foreign to me."

With a shrug Miss Faragher said that Scher even took £400 from her which she received as a gratuity from the Board of Education.

It was stated in court that Scher attempted to take his life when he absconded while on bail. He was re-arrested, and again came before the same jury, when the Common Serjeant, Mr. Cecil Whiteley, K.C., continued his summing-up.

"HEARTLESS"

The man who had robbed Miss Faragher of her comforts and her peace of mind was described by the Common Serjeant as "heartless and callous." His "financial wizardry" amounted to bankruptcies.

In 1928 he was in business at Finsbury, ostensibly as manager for his wife. The business failed, and his wife was made bankrupt for £16,000.

In 1937 he was made bankrupt for £179,000. In 1934 he lost £44,000 in company promotion, and £32,000 in 1936.

Det.-Sergt. Freshney said Scher was sentenced to six months in 1937.

Brothers Crash Fatally

Brisbane, Australia. When Edgar and George Hansen, brothers, riding motorcycles in opposite directions, swerved to avoid hitting a horse they collided. It was only after recovering from the shock that they recognized each other.

Edgar, 29, died of injuries.



Dr. Cassiano Carlos da Fonseca and his bride, Miss Beatriz Ramalho, who were recently married in Macao.—Catela.

BIG A. R. P. SCANDAL

Risked Life For Children

Mr. F. Palmer, a private in the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment, risked his life in a house on fire at Clarence-street, Gravesend, recently, in an attempt to "rescue" three children who were later found safe in their grandparents' home some distance away.

When Mr. Palmer was told the children were asleep in the blazing house he ran into the kitchen, but was forced back by the flames.

"I rushed outside," he said afterwards, "shinned up the wall, and got in through the bedroom window. I searched in the smoke until someone shouted that the kiddies were safe."

The children, Jean, aged 6, Jim, aged 4, and Sam, two and a half, are the family of Mr. Hugh Brown, who is unemployed. His home was destroyed by the fire.

Two Months Of Chaos

MONTHS after the crisis Britain's A.R.P. plans are still in chaos.

The muddle is worst in the London area—most dangerous zone in the country. Provincial cities and towns are far ahead of London with their arrangements.

A survey recently revealed that although 1,100,000 people have volunteered as A.R.P. wardens—a total which exceeded expectations—most of them are waiting for something to do.

In London many of the trenches dug in the public parks are falling in and becoming water-logged because they have been neglected.

No scheme of evacuation had been prepared when the crisis arrived for such districts as Croydon and East Ham, which would have been danger zones.

Billeting arrangements in the Home Counties for those who would be evacuated from London demand immediate attention.

Typical of the muddle in London boroughs is the position at Holborn. A review by the Holborn A.R.P. Committee reached the conclusion that the voluntary system of A.R.P. had broken down.

Wholesale changes, including revision of first-aid posts and the provision of proper shelters are urged.

While the eight million inhabitants of Greater London are still to a large extent unprotected, many provincial cities have far-reaching schemes of defence in advanced stages of development.

"Model" cities are Liverpool and Nottingham.

CHAOS

Here is the present state of Britain's main means of defence:

Trenches.—Trenches dug during the crisis have in some places become water-logged; parapets have crumbled and the sides have fallen in.

Miles of trenches have been left in an unfinished state.

Fire Equipment.—An acute shortage in fire-fighting equipment is reported by many authorities. The L.C.C. need about 3,000 auxiliary appliances. On September 27 last they had only 99 sandbags.

During the crisis the Government had 80,000,000 sandbags in stock. The supply fell far below requirements. Experts believe that ten times as many should be produced.

Evacuation.—What sections of the population will be evacuated in an emergency is still undecided.

Shelters.—The Government refuse to consider the provision of bomb-proof shelters on account of their colossal cost. Provision of blast-proof accommodation for every man, woman, and child in vulnerable areas is as far as they will go.

Gas-masks.—Since their distribution during the crisis thousands of respirators have been lost, thrown away, or damaged.

Householders are complaining that they have no place where the masks can be safely kept.

Girl Of 16 Made-Up For Her Death

Oswestry, Shropshire.

A girl of 16, found dead in a car with a man near here recently had carefully made herself up just before death.

She was Marie Elsie Mabel Lindsay, who lived with her widowed mother in Rosemary Hill-road, Sutton Coldfield, near Birmingham. The man was Leonard Lawrence Poncia, aged 24, of Douglas-road Sutton Coldfield.

The girl's hair was neatly combed; her face powdered, and her nails newly varnished.

The car, with windows sealed, had been driven into a field at Whittington.

A note signed by both, and scribbled on the back of a letter, told how they were in love, were terrified at the thought of separation, and wished to be buried together.

They had had a good life, the note added, and they asked forgiveness for what they were doing.

BORROWED CAR Poncia left his lodgings on Wednesday evening in the car owned by a son of Mr. A. Chamberlain, Sutton Coldfield, greengrocer and fishmonger, his employer.

Mr. Chamberlain said: "Poncia was bright and intelligent. We thought so much of him that we did not mind him borrowing the car whenever he asked."

"I believed he was hoping to become engaged at Christmas."

Mrs. Bill, by whom Miss Lindsay's mother is employed, said: "The couple had often gone out together for car rides. While there was no objection on Mrs. Lindsay's part to their friendship, I do not know whether an engagement had been suggested."

Exercise Versus Food

Durham, N.H.

Seeking an equation between rich food and exercise, Miss Elizabeth E. Ellis, University of New Hampshire nutritionist, found that it takes a seven-mile hike to "walk off" a between-meals snack of mince pie—and an 11th-of-a-mile stroll for a lone peanut.

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ADMIRALTY SENDS A 'WARNING' TO PORTSMOUTH

Objection To
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IN spite of a letter from the Admiralty stating that certain activities in the Portsmouth naval base "could not exist side by side" with a neighbouring civil airport, Portsmouth City Council recently approved a proposal for the establishment by private enterprise of a £1,250,000 Empire air base at Langstone Harbour.

The Lord Mayor, Mr. L. N. Blake, announced that he had received a telephone call from the Admiralty indicating its opposition to a base at Langstone. This was followed by a letter from the Admiralty, sent by special messenger, which stated:

"When the original scheme was brought to their notice in 1936 the Lords of the Admiralty saw grave difficulties. It was obvious that vital naval activities would be most gravely prejudiced.

"However, as they were anxious not to hinder development of Imperial communications, they were prepared to acquiesce in principle to the scheme despite their misgivings if it were found possible to provide suitable alternative accommodation for certain of the naval activities which could not exist side by side with the air base.

"SERIOUS DETRIMENT"

"It proved impossible, however, to find such sites, and it became more and more apparent that the great volume of traffic inevitably involved in the development of the air base would most seriously impair services vital to the efficiency of the Navy.

"Any scheme for utilising Langstone Harbour in this way must be incompatible with the maintenance of essential naval services in the Portsmouth area without the most serious detriment."

The Lord Mayor pointed out that the Admiralty had not vetoed the scheme but was merely warning the Council that difficulties might arise in the future. These difficulties were, he said, matters to be dealt with by the promoters.

Mr. A. Johnson, chairman of the Docks and Airports Committee, said an Air Ministry report in 1936 condemned Southampton Water, and Imperial Airways preferred to operate from Langstone Harbour if they could get it.

The scheme, the general principle of which the Council approved by 17 votes to 8, provided that a London group should construct the airport at Langstone and in return the promoters would buy the present aerodrome and other land at Furlington for £112,628, the Corporation's outstanding liability.

Boy Alone In Cooking Class

Marion, O.
Raymond Locke, 16-year-old Negro boy, who aspires to be a dining car chef, is the only boy enrolled in a cooking class of 23 girls at Central Junior high school. The deaths of his mother and old sister made it necessary for Raymond to cook for his father and nine brothers and sisters.

Wronged Her Twice, Forgiven

"HE deceived her by a bigamous marriage. She forgave him and he robbed her. But when Norman Firth, thirty-two, left the dock at Liverpool recently, Miss Blanche Hocking, aged twenty-four, of Bylca-street, Liverpool, the woman he had twice wronged, went up to him and took his arm.

They left the court together.

"I hope some day to marry Miss Hocking," Firth had told the magistrates.

Firth, an unemployed chef, was fined £2 for stealing 10s. and three wireless valves, worth a total of £2, belonging to Miss Hocking.

He did this after she had given him shelter when he wandered the streets homeless and penniless after serving a sentence for bigamy.

Mr. E. H. Sidgreaves, prosecuting, said Miss Hocking went through a form of marriage with Firth believing him to be single.

When his legal marriage was discovered Firth was prosecuted and sent to prison.

On his release he called on Miss Hocking, who said she would take him back if he secured a divorce.

On November 17 Firth again called on Miss Hocking and told her he had nowhere to go and had no money.

She allowed him to stay at her house for the night and he slept downstairs.

The thefts were discovered after he left next day.

FORGET-ME- NOT HATS FOR SPRING

Paris.
Auteuil races brought out colourful spring hats (and fur coats) recently. Hats like forage caps, hats like Prince Michael's beret, tall hats, plate-shaped hats, most of them covered with flowers.

One "forage-cap" hat which attracted particular attention was covered with forget-me-nots. Two pale pink roses were added as "trimming."

Another hat of the same shape was of elmet and flame-coloured chiffon. Flowers of orange, blue, red, and green. The same "flowers" were pinned to a mull.

Most hats were noticeable for their colour. There was a tall one in blue ribbons with a red thread running round it. It had a brim in front and was perched well on top of the head. Another, plate-shaped, supported bows of baby ribbon in peonia, cyclamen, blue, and green.

A finger-tip length cape of chin-chin was much admired, and it looks as though this fur will be back in favour again. One coat, plain in front, had a "surprise" back, for its flared skirt was trimmed with two bands of silver fox.



The "Stanley Rebels" who presented the pantomime "Cinderella" at the Prison Officers' Mess recently.—Ming Yuen.

THE WOMAN WHO HATED DAYLIGHT

British Trade In China

London.
THE question of foreign capital investments in China was one of the many aspects of British trade with the Far East dealt with in the House of Commons recently.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher asked the Prime Minister whether he has yet been officially informed of the future intentions of Japan in China as to foreign capital investments in all enterprises considered essential to defence or economically necessary to Japan?

Mr. Butler: No, Sir.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher: Has the British Ambassador at Tokyo recently had information from the Japanese Foreign Office on this point?

Mr. Butler: We have received no official announcement.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher: Is it not the case that the Ambassador has been asked for a report?

Mr. Butler: We are naturally fully informed by the Ambassador on all that he is told by the Japanese Government. I am asked here whether we have had any official information. We have not.

The closing of the open door in China is still attracting much attention in this country and in a series of questions in the House on this subject, some attempt was made to obtain some statement from the Government as to their intended action in regard to the Nine-Power Treaty.

Mr. R. Morgan asked the Prime Minister whether his attention has been drawn to the new Japanese official pronouncement on the closing of the open door in China; whether the British Government have received official information on the subject; and whether, in that case, he can make any statement?

Mr. Butler: My Noble Friend has seen no such official pronouncement nor has he received any official information on the subject. I have, therefore, nothing to add to my reply to my hon. Friend the Member for Bury (Mr. Chorlton) on 12th December.

Mr. Bellenger: In spite of the fact that the Government have received no official information, is the open door in China, in fact, being closed to this country's trade?

Mr. Butler: I made clear our view in my answer to the hon. Member for

Dead In Shuttered Bungalow

A MYSTERIOUS elderly woman, who hated the daylight, has been found dead in her locked, derelict bungalow, hidden from view by a wilderness of weeds and bushes, in a fashionable district of Hove, Sussex.

It is nine years since she bought the Bungalow, but few people have seen her, and no one ever had a glimpse of her face—she always wore a heavy veil. Nobody knew her name, no friend came to see her.

Bury, to which I have referred the hon. Member.

Mr. G. Griffiths: Has the hon. Member not read the "Times"?

Mr. G. Struss asked the Prime Minister whether any communications have passed between His Majesty's Government and the Japanese Government relative to the revision of the Nine-Power Treaty?

Mr. Gallacher asked the Prime Minister what communications have passed between His Majesty's Government and the Japanese Government concerning the revision of the Nine-Power Treaty?

Mr. Butler: I would refer the hon. Member to my reply to my hon. Friend the Member for Bury (Mr. Chorlton) on 12th December.

Mr. Gallacher: Is the Minister not aware that Japan, with or without notice, is going to revise the Nine-Power Treaty and completely close the door in China?

Mr. Butler: As I have stated before, we cannot recognise any alteration in the position as defined in this Treaty which is brought about unilaterally.

Mr. Gallacher: Is it not a fact that the Treaty is being revised without notice, just as the war in China was started without notice? The Treaty is being revised. Is the Minister not aware of it?

Mr. Butler: I am fully aware of the difficulties of the position in the Far East which are under our constant review. I hope the hon. Gentleman will accept the assurance in the answer I have already given.

The Prime Minister was also questioned in Parliament recently regarding the Kiangyin boom and the Japanese allegation that this is an obstacle to foreign shipping on the Yangtze.

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that the Japanese Government allege as an obstacle to the resumption of foreign shipping on the Yangtze, that there is at present no room for more than one ship at a time to pass through the Kiangyin boom, and that they have not had the time in which to remove this obstruction; and whether His Majesty's Government propose to direct His Majesty's ships to remove the boom across this international highway?

Mr. Butler: The Japanese Government claim that the Kiangyin boom has been opened only sufficiently to provide for passage of Japanese warships and military transports. The difficulties arising from the position are at present under review.

Sir J. Haslam asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that the Japanese authorities at Tsingtao have placed an embargo on the export of cotton yarns as from 6th December; and what steps he is taking to stop this interference with British trade?

Mr. Butler: An embargo on the export of cotton (not specifically cotton yarns) from Tientsin was promulgated on 6th December. The matter is now under consideration, and I shall be glad to examine any information which my hon. Friend can give me on the particular position at Tsingtao.

She only went out at night. The bungalow was always heavily shuttered and the windows blocked with brown paper.

The attention of the police was called to the number of unopened milk bottles outside the door. Breaking in, they found the body of the woman, who was about 65, lying on the floor. She had been dead about a week.

There was no food in the house. From papers in the house her name is now thought to have been Dorothea Phoebe Sayre, but whether Mrs. or Miss is not known.

Inquiries extended from Hove to Stroud, Gloucestershire.

One theory now held by the police is that she was once a well-known singer or pianist.

She was evidently wealthy, but no trace has been found of will or relatives.

HATED FLOWERS
Stories of her eccentricities are almost legendary.

She hated flowers of all kinds. When roses grew over the fence she cut them off and threw them back into the gardens of her neighbours.

When Air Raid Precautions warnings called to fit her with a gas mask she flew into a terrible rage and threw the masks into the garden.

Mr. Alvin Turner, who lives on one side of the mystery bungalow, said:

"I have never seen my neighbour, nor have I ever known anyone call on her.

"She was always changing her tradesmen."

The neighbour on the other side said he had never spoken to her in nine years.

"She was a queer little old lady," he said, "wrapped up in herself."

"She refused to see me when I called on her when first she came. After that I always respected her wishes."

PAID IN CASH
To avoid recognition, Mrs. Sayre did her shopping at night, with her face concealed by a scarf or black veil.

"She was the quaintest and most eccentric woman I have ever known," said Mr. E. Hillman, fruiterer, of the Kingsway, Hove.

"I never saw her face, but she ordered large amounts of fruit in a cultured voice and always paid for them immediately."

"She dressed in an old-fashioned style, usually in black or a dark colour."

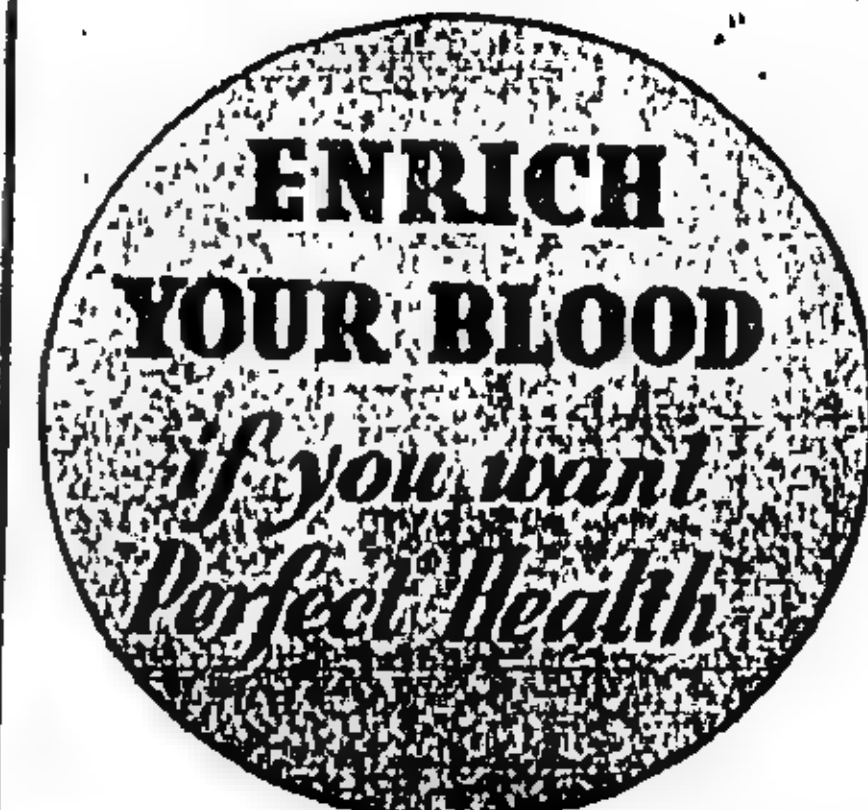
Mr. D. Stanley, the millman and the only tradesman allowed to call at the bungalow, said:

"I have only seen her once or twice. She always left the money for the milk in an envelope."

Detectives searched the bungalow in an attempt to find a will, but all they found were music manuscripts.

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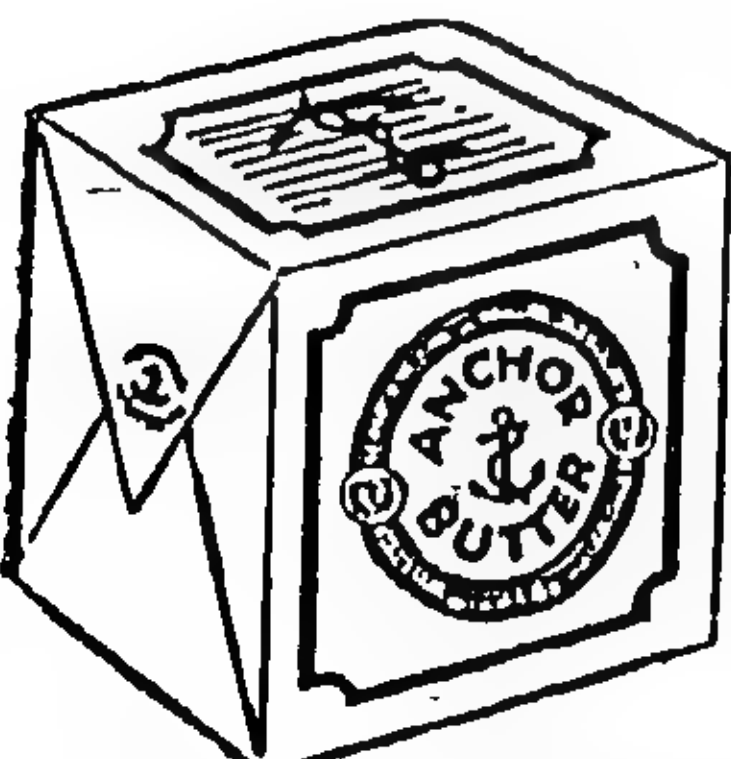
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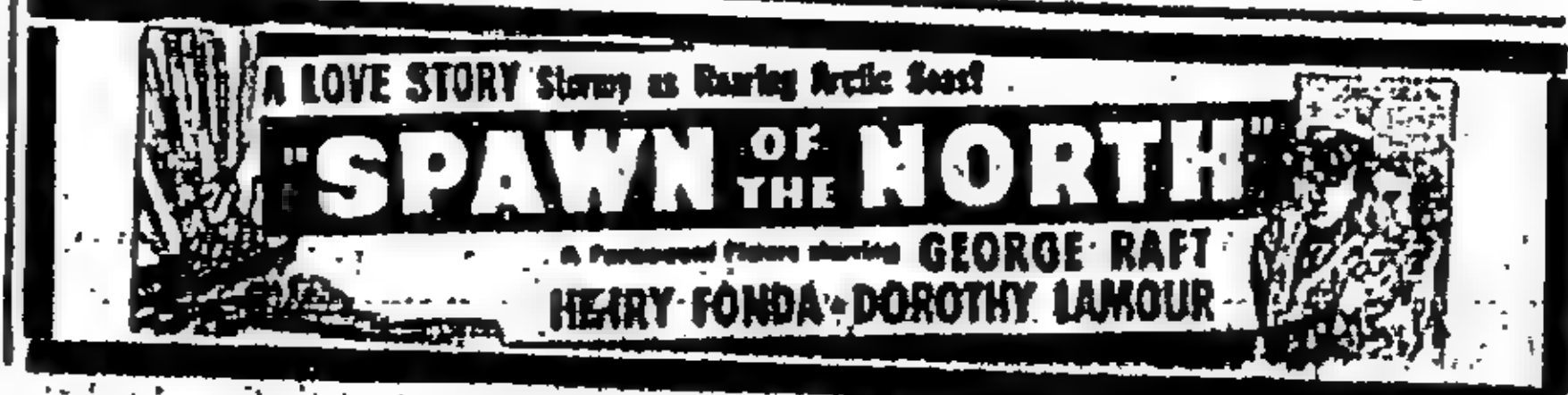
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Closing	8.40b/48a	8.35/35	8.38/38	8.41/41	8.27/27	8.18/18	7.87/87
High	8.40b/48a	8.35/35	8.38/38	8.41/41	8.27/27	8.18/18	7.87/87
Low	8.40b/48a	8.35/35	8.38/38	8.41/41	8.27/27	8.18/18	7.87/87
Settle	8.40b/48a	8.35/35	8.38/38	8.41/41	8.27/27	8.18/18	7.87/87

New York Rubber

	Jan. (1939)	Mar. (1939)	May (1939)	July (1939)	Oct. (1939)	Dec. (1939)
Opening	16.32b/42a	16.28/28	16.33/33	16.15/15	16.16/16	16.20/20
Closing	16.32b/42a	16.28/28	16.33/33	16.15/15	16.16/16	16.20/20
High	16.32b/42a	16.28/28	16.33/33	16.15/15	16.16/16	16.20/20
Low	16.32b/42a	16.28/28	16.33/33	16.15/15	16.16/16	16.20/20
Settle	16.32b/42a	16.28/28	16.33/33	16.15/15	16.16/16	16.20/20

Chicago Wheat

	May	July	Sept.
Opening	70 1/2/70 1/2	70 1/2/70 1/2	71 1/2/71 1/2
Closing	70 1/2/70 1/2	70 1/2/70 1/2	71 1/2/71 1/2
High	70 1/2/70 1/2	70 1/2/70 1/2	71 1/2/71 1/2
Low	70 1/2/70 1/2	70 1/2/70 1/2	71 1/2/71 1/2
Settle	70 1/2/70 1/2	70 1/2/70 1/2	71 1/2/71 1/2

Chicago Corn

	May	July	Sept.
Opening	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2
Closing	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2
High	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2
Low	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2
Settle	53 1/2/53 1/2	53 1/2/53 1/2	54 1/2/54 1/2

Winnipeg Wheat

	May	July	Oct.
Opening	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2
Closing	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2
High	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2
Low	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2
Settle	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2	63 1/2/63 1/2

Polish Minister On Visit To Hitler

Berlin, Jan. 5.
Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, who is visiting Germany, had a long talk with Herr Hitler at Berchtesgaden this afternoon. Herr von Ribbentrop was also present. No statement was issued regarding the questions discussed, but it is understood that the matters may have included Jewish refugees in Poland, the minorities, and Danzig—Reuter.

C. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1939, at 3 p.m. at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Sau Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorized officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Register No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Cultivated Area in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			n	s	e	w			
1	100	at Sau Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,462 1/2
H.K. Banks (Old)	1,415
Chartered	1,415
Merchants	1,415
East Asia	1,415

INSURANCES

Canton	210
Union	470
China Underwriters	178
H.K. Fire	178

SHIPPING

Douglas	63 1/2
Stamboat	18
Indo-China	18
Indo-China	24
Shell Benders	85
Waterboats	9

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	117 1/2
Doocks (old)	18 1/2
Doocks (new)	17 1/2
Providents (old)	630
Providents (new)	630
New Eng. Sh.	560
Shs. Doocks, Sh.	100

MINING

Kailan	17 1/2
Roubs	37
Venz	3
Hongkong Mines	17 1/2
Antamoks	54
Atoks	31
Baguio Gold	23 1/2
Bonguet Con. Ps.	1420
Coco Grove	54
Con. Mines	503
Demonstrations	28
L.X.L. Ps.	63
Gumaus	13
San Maurice	182
Suyoc Consl	20 1/2
Paracels	68

LANDS

Hotels	710
Lands	37
Lands 4% deb.	107 1/2
S'hai Lands	940
Humphreys	10 1/2
H.K. Realties	535
Chinese Estates	80

UTILITIES

Trans.	1710
Peak Tram (old)	8
Peak Tram (new)	4
Star Ferries	72
Y. Ferries (old)	22 1/2
Y. Ferries (new)	22
China Light (cum. rts.)	610
China Light (Rights)	370
H.K. Electric	58 1/2
Macao Electric	17
Sundakan Light	10
Telephone (old)	24
Telephone (new)	680
Traction	213
Singapore Pref.	25 1/2

INDUSTRIAL

Cald. Merg. (ord.)	14
Cald. Merg. (Pre.)	13
Canton Ice	170
Cementa	1060
Hopes	390

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Cotton (c. rts.)	10
S'hai Cotton	102
Zong Sings	24
Wing On Textiles	40

ENTERTAINMENTS

H.K. Entertainments	7
Constructions	14
Vilbro Pilling	600
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	70 1/2
G8 Bonds	70 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	60
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	58
Marmans (Cn.)	106
Marmans (H.K.)	106

NEW TOKYO CABINET SWORN IN

Premier... Baron K. Hiranuma
Home... *Marquis K. Kido
Welfare... *Marquis K. Kido
Foreign... *Mr. H. Arita
War... *Lt.-Gen. S. Itagaki
Navy... *Admiral Yonai
Finance... Mr. S. Ishiwata
Commerce and Industry... Mr. Y. Hattai
Agriculture and Forestry... Mr. K. Masuda
Education... *Baron Araki
Justice... *Mr. S. Shiono
Overseas... *Mr. Y. Hattai
Communications... *Mr. S. Shiono
Railways... Mr. Y. Maeda
Without Portfolio... Prince Kono
Chief Secretary... Mr. H. Tanabe
Director of Legislative Bureau... Mr. S. Higai
President of Planning Board... Mr. K. Aoki
Member of former Cabinet.

JAPAN'S PREMIER ADMITS CRISIS

TOKYO, Jan. 5.
AFTER THE CEREMONIES of installation by the Emperor were concluded, Premier Hiranuma and other members of the new Cabinet proceeded to the official residence of the Prime Minister and held the first Cabinet session at 8.15 p.m.

In a statement issued following the Cabinet meeting, the new Premier, Baron Hiranuma, admitted that Japan was confronted by an unprecedented crisis and its solution, he said, was by no means an easy task.

"If, however, the Government and nation are solidly united and display their traditional national spirit on the august virtues of the Imperial Family, I am confident that the current situation will be brought to a satisfactory settlement," he added.

Promising to announce definite policies of the new Cabinet later, Premier Hiranuma stresses the necessity of concentrating the entire resources of the country for the attainment of the "Sacred Campaign."

Referring to the Government's attitude for the settlement of the China Incident, the new Premier pledges that the fundamental policies which were firmly established by the preceding Cabinet with the approval of the Emperor would be executed.

"Various arrangements that have been initiated for the realization of these policies will be maintained and developed by all means," he said.

Concluding, the Premier urges the nation to appreciate the great efforts being done by the officers and men at the front. He pleaded for toleration of various inconveniences in the time of emergency, and called for close co-operation with the Government in overcoming the difficult situation.—Domei.

EMPEROR INVESTS NEW CABINET

Tokyo, Jan. 5.
The investiture of Baron Hiranuma as Prime Minister was held in the presence of the Emperor at the Imperial Palace at 6.30 p.m.

Admiral Hyakutake, Grand Chamberlain, and Lieut.-General Usaki, Chief Aide-de-Camp to the Throne, attended the ceremony.

The investiture of other members of the Cabinet took place at 7.30 p.m. ceremonies, which were personally conducted by the Emperor at the Imperial Palace.—Domei.

PLEDGE TO ARMY AND NAVY

Tokyo, Jan. 5.
The new Premier has given definite pledges to Lieut.-General Itagaki, the Minister of War, and Admiral Yonai, the Minister of Navy, in pay due considerations to the rights of the China Incident and perquisites of the fighting services.

Attainment of the "ultimate objective" of national defence systems represent the two salient points put forth by the military and naval authorities.—Domei.

LAST ACT OF LIBERALS

London, Jan. 5.
The Tokyo Correspondent of the London "Times" describes the Cabinet crisis in Japan as the last act of the old order, and the replacement of Kono by Baron Hiranuma as a victory for the forces endeavoring to build up a new order in Japan.—United Press.

GERMANY PLEADED

Berlin, Jan. 5.
Germany appears to be extremely satisfied with the composition of the new Japanese Cabinet.

Baron Hiranuma is regarded as a statesman of great experience, while the continuation in office of Mr. Arita, who concluded with Germany and Italy the two-year-old anti-Comintern Pact, is similarly welcomed.

No outstanding change in Japan's war policy is expected. The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" writes: "Quick settlement of the crisis was a necessity. The appointment of a new Finance Minister is of special importance, as Japan is faced with difficult financial questions arising from the war."

The "Lokal Anzeiger" maintains that the composition of the new Cabinet shows that Japan is making no compromise politically.—Reuter.

Jamaica Waterfront Strike Settled

Kingston, Jamaica, Jan. 5.
Work is proceeding normally on the waterfront, as a result of the appointment of an arbitration board. A steamer which put to sea was recalled by wireless, and is now discharging cargo in the harbour.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE.

BROADCAST RECEIVING LICENCES

Holders of licences are reminded that it is desired to continue to retain possession of the apparatus after the date of expiration of the licence a renewal must be effected without delay.

New Licences will be available at the Government Radio Office, G.P.O. Building, First Floor, on ordinary business days, and will be issued against the receipt of a remittance of \$12.00, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. except on Saturdays when licences will be issued between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Applications may be made:—
(a) personally.
(b) by messenger.
(c) by post.

It is essential under (c) and preferable under (a) and (b) that applications should be accompanied by crossed Cheque payable to the Hongkong Government. The new licence will then be sent by post or messenger as soon as it is ready. Where actual cash is tendered a new licence should be received in exchange before leaving the Licensing Office.

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Registered and ordinary mails (not insured or parcels) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

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6.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) I could use a dream; (b) Coffee and Knees; (c) Small Fry; (d) A-tisket, A-tasket.

6.14 Records: Irving Berlin Memories... At Hollington at the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, London.

6.21 (a) My Own; (b) Take another guess; (c) Pretty as a picture; (d) John Peel Swing.

6.35 Records: White Rose (Oakley)... Olly Oakley (Banjo) with Piano Accompany; Roberta—Selection of the Paramount Theatre, London.

6.44 (a) Tears in my heart; (b) Lullaby in Rhythm; (c) Star dust; (d) Sweet Sue.

7.00 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Variety with Sophie Tucker. The Four Crochets and Nat Gonella and His Georgians.

Who stole the Tiger's Rug?—Fox-Trot; Bring 'Em Back Alive—Fox-Trot; Na Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; I Heard (Herman)... The Four Crochets (Vocal Quartet) with Guitar; I Know That My Baby Is Cheatin' On Me (Steinberg and Lambert); Conversational Man (Lerner and Shapiro)... Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra; Basin Street Blues (Williams); E Flat Blues (Williams) Nat Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; Away Down South in Heaven (Green and Warren)... Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra; Yogi-Bog (Hess)... The Four Crochets (Vocal) with Guitar; Spooky Takes a Holiday—Fox-Trot; Who a Babel—Fox-Trot... Nat Gonella and His Georgians with Vocal Refrain by Nat Gonella.

7.38 Light Opera Selections, "Belle of New York" etc.

"A Country Girl"—Selection (Monckton)... London Theatre Orchestra; "The Beggar Student" (Milkocker); Ich hab' kein Gold, bin

AIR MAIL DUE

Delivery Expected Ahead Of Schedule

With the arrival of three flying-boats at Bangkok yesterday, air mail is expected to reach Kail Tak at 5 p.m. today, ahead of the Dardanus, one day ahead of schedule.

The Delta will leave with the outward load at daylight to-day, and further mail is expected to arrive here on either Saturday or Sunday.

To-day's mail is from all countries.

AIR FRANCE ARRIVES

Weather Holds Up Plane At Port Bayard

The Air France plane reached Hongkong at 3.40 p.m. yesterday, after a delay of several hours at Port Bayard due to bad weather conditions. Passengers were M. Fontaine, on a round trip, and Mlle. Tasarey, teacher of the Central British School, returning from holiday. There were seven Chinese aboard.

The plane will leave at 6.30 a.m. to-morrow on the return trip to Hanoi.

CLIPPER ARRIVES

Mail And Passengers From San Francisco

The Pan American Philippine Clipper reached Kail Tak at 12.10 p.m. yesterday with passengers, mail and freight from U.S.A. Those aboard were, Mrs. Ida Hube, 66, travelling round the world by herself, now proceeding to Peking; Mr. Tan Tjong, Hongkong business man; Mr. William Crosswell, of the International Corporation; Mr. V. Asanell, Indian business man; Mr. Gerald Eckelman, by air from New York; and Mr. Byrns, English, Pan American Airways Section Superintendent of Maintenance at Manila.

Mr. Eckelman was returning to China for the first time since his house was destroyed by air from New York at the start of the war. His secretary and three servants were killed.

Passengers booked to leave this morning at 8.30 on the return flight are Messrs. So San, Ho Ban Tok, Raymond J. Bush, and Fong Gim Toon for San Francisco.

Next Clipper

The next Pan American Airways Clipper is scheduled to arrive here on January 18, and will depart on January 19.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures Of Planes

Outward
For London, Australia, British Countries and Europe: Imperial Airways 7 a.m.; Jan. 6; Imperial Airways 7 a.m.; Jan. 10.

For Chungking, Stan, etc.; Eurasia and C.N.A.C. services indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila, Honolulu, Guam: Pan American Philippine Clipper 8.30 a.m. Jan. 6; China Clipper 8.30 a.m. Jan. 10.

For France via Hanoi: Air France, 6.30 a.m. Jan. 7.

Inward
From London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Jan. 6; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Jan. 7; Imperial Airways 5 p.m. Jan. 10.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Services indefinite.

From U.S.A., via Honolulu, Guam, Manila: Pan American China Clipper 12.30 p.m. Jan. 18.

From France, via Hanoi: Air France 12.30 p.m. Jan. 12.

PRAGUE SENSATION

Unprecedented Action By Soviet Minister

Prague, Jan. 5.

A political sensation has been caused here by the action of the Soviet Minister, M. Alexandrovsky, who sent the editors of the Czech newspaper a copy of Le Journal de Moscou containing a strongly worded attack on the Prague Government.

Each copy of the paper was accompanied by the Minister's visiting card.

The action is described as being without precedent and a diplomatic protest is expected to follow.

Reuters.

A Look Through The Telegraph

50 YEARS AGO

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It is hereby notified that on receipt of written applications on or before Thursday, the 20th instant, addressed to the Undersecretary of the Company (about to be incorporated as the Peak Hotel and Trading Company, Limited) will be reserved in respect of each share held by shareholders in the Hongkong and High Level Tramways Company, Ltd.

If no application be made in pursuance of the terms of this notice the shares will be otherwise allotted.

A. Findlay Smith

The adjourned Resolutions reopened this morning. The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. W. C. Cruickshank, C. F. Rapp, J. G. dos Remedios, C. Mooney, E. N. Philman, I. Wester, J. A. Costa, and C. Skott.

Two other jurors who kicked at having to serve their Queen and country were rejected.

25 YEARS AGO

During the month of December the following mercantile marine examinations were held at the Hongkong Harbour Office: Masters—John Eldridge Viant, and James Smith.

Second Mate—William Brewer.

First Engineer—Archibald Hodge and George Butchart.

Second Engineer—Archibald Nell Morrison, Reuben Whitfield and John Wills.

Mr. A. Walmaley, time keeper of Quarry Bay, had clothing and a pair of boots, worth in all \$84, stolen on January 6.

10 YEARS AGO

A "Reuter's" message from Shanghai states that the Hon. Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, is due here to-day by the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France, en route to Hongkong.

The Dean, the Very Rev. Alfred Swann, officiated at the wedding which took place at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday afternoon of Miss Dorothy Goodman, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Goodman, and Mr. Clarence Leimister Farmer, third son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Farmer, of Shanghai.

The death occurred at Miami, of Tex. Richard the world-famous boxing promoter.

At the last annual meeting of Subscribers and pewholders of St. John's Cathedral the abolition of pew rents was agreed in principle and the Church Body was requested to consider and submit a practical scheme for carrying this into effect.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Two well-known private hotels on the Howson Road level, "Derrington" and "Lauriston," are shortly to be demolished and a big block of European flats erected on the sites.

Reports that the Central Government troops have definitely gained the upper hand in the fighting in Northern Fukien have been confirmed by latest reports from the front.

Social Items

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Ling Kwok-wing, comrade of the M.T.B. Canton, and Miss Wu Lai-ling, of 128 Queen's Road, West; Mr. Teng Kiat-chiu, teacher, of 530 Nathan Road, Kowloon; Mr. Wang Fun, merchant, and Miss Ma Yu, teacher, of 88 Queen's Road, Central; Mr. Mak Buck-cheung, teacher, and Miss Pang Lai-yung, teacher, of 44 Lower Lascar Row.

There will be a dance at the Cheero Club on Monday next, January 9. Music will be by "The Stokers Dollar Band" of H.M.S. Cardiff. All servicemen and their wives will be welcomed.

The Police Branch of the Ministering League will hold their monthly Bridge and Mahjong drive at the Cathedral Hall on Tuesday January 10, commencing at 3 p.m. Admission is \$1 each.

The Hongkong University Union will be holding a Charity Dance on Saturday, January 7, at 8.30 p.m. in the Great Hall of the University, by kind permission of the Vice-Chancellor.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Four Persons Killed In Colony Last Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ending last Saturday morning, there were altogether 74 traffic accidents, as the result of which four persons were killed and 35 injured.

Of the persons killed, a Chinese male, age 30, was knocked down and killed by a bus while running across the road. A Chinese male, age 48, and a Chinese female, age about 70, were knocked down and killed by a private car and a tram, respectively, while walking across the road. A Chinese boy, age 5, died from injuries received on falling from a moving lorry.

Of persons injured, 21 were pedestrians who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles. Two bicycle riders and two private car passengers

MEDICAL TRAINING

Sir Richard Needham On Inspection Tour

In the course of a tour of British medical training institutions in the Far East, the noted physician, Sir Richard Arthur Needham, arrived in Hongkong by the Rajputana yesterday. Lady Needham accompanied him.

Sir Richard will remain here until January 21, when he sails by the Carthage. He will be the guest of the Vice-Chancellor of Hongkong University, which he visited five years ago on behalf of the General Medical Council. He is glad of this opportunity to see what progress has been made in medical training at the University.

On his way to Hongkong, Sir Richard inspected the new hospital at Batavia in order to see how English methods compared with those of the Dutch. He has still many Far Eastern centres to visit, and his inspections will subsequently be the subject of an official report to the General Medical Council.

A minor accident occurred in Nathan Road on Wednesday, when a car driven by Mrs. Stuart of the Kingsville Private Hotel collided with a car driven by Dr. K. K. Wong.

Mrs. Stuart swerved to avoid a cyclist. No-one was injured, while only slight damage was done to the two cars.

MINOR COLLISION

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Two cars were involved: Private motor cars 33, motor lorries 16, motor buses 15, motor cycles 2, public motor cars 5, trams 7, bicycles 5, and tricycle one.

Of the 74 accidents, 31 were collisions between vehicles; 27 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 16 accidents were due to other causes.

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MEDICAL TRAINING

Sir Richard Needham On Inspection Tour

In the course of a tour of British medical training institutions in the Far East, the noted physician, Sir Richard Arthur Needham, arrived in Hongkong by the Rajputana yesterday. Lady Needham accompanied him.

Sir Richard will remain here until January 21, when he sails by the Carthage. He will be the guest of the Vice-Chancellor of Hongkong University, which he visited five years ago on behalf of the General Medical Council. He is glad of this opportunity to see what progress has been made in medical training at the University.

On his way to Hongkong, Sir Richard inspected the new hospital at Batavia in order to see how English methods compared with those of the Dutch. He has still many Far Eastern centres to visit, and his inspections will subsequently be the subject of an official report to the General Medical Council.

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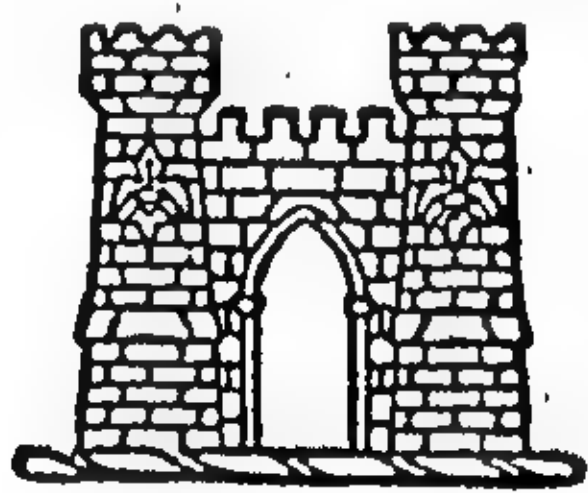
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Man and the State

IF YOU WANT to learn something about what is happening in Japan, read the article "Crisis in Tokyo" on this page.

You will understand, then, what is meant when you are told that Baron Hiranuma, Japan's new Premier, is a member of an old Samurai family.

He is a bachelor, 72 years of age.

He is one of Japan's most fervent apostles of nationalism, which means Fascism. Hiranuma once founded a nationalist society which attracted many leading figures in Japanese naval, military and financial circles. It differed from real Fascism in that it advocated totalitarianism by constitutional means. Significantly, its founder dissolved the order.

Will totalitarianism, as applied in Germany and Italy, come to Japan as a result of the change in Cabinet?

More than probably, Japan is already on a semi-Fascist basis. The power to completely subordinate the freedom of the community to the will of the State is provided by the National Mobilisation Act, which became law five months ago. That Act encountered considerable opposition in Japan's Diet. It was passed only after Prince Konoye promised that its provisions would not be enforced in toto unless an emergency much graver than that provided by the conflict with China was forthcoming.

Konoye kept his promise and invoked only certain provisions of the Act.

There is no shadow of doubt now but that the entire Act will be applied.

Sayonara?

APART FROM other considerations, Japan's financial position has become so desperate that mobilisation of all the nation's resources is imperative.

Even the totalitarian form of Communism may not save Japan. Remember, for the next 360 days she is committed to finding £1,000,000 a day. She has no overseas markets from which she can borrow money or credit.

Has she a sufficient reserve of internal resources to stave off bankruptcy, even with mobilisation of all her private resources?

If not, it's Sayonara for Japan's hopes of victory in China.



CRISIS IN TOKYO

JAPAN HAS had a written Constitution for nearly a half century.

To a considerable degree, if we think in terms of conditions prevailing in 1889, the year of its promulgation, the document was worthy to be called liberal.

The general nature of government under it was parliamentary. There was a Diet or Congress, a Cabinet, and an independent Judiciary. A bill of rights carried the familiar protections to individual subjects and their property, including religious freedom. Beyond question, the new regime was more liberal than the old.

PICTURE the old regime! At Kyoto, secluded from all men save a few courtiers, remote from actual affairs, kowtowed to as a god-emperor, but correspondingly contented as an actual sovereign, reposed the titular Mikado.

At Yedo, later called Tokyo, another figure-head, the *shogun*, greatest of the feudal lords (the *daimyo*), and commander of the imperial armed forces, appeared to be the actual head of the state, but was in fact the puppet of a small coterie of Tokugawa clan leaders.

The latter delegated local administrative powers to the two-sworded samurai, whose despotic sway was only restrained by custom and the fear that the peasant would revolt if life became intolerable. The people were bound to the soil, unconscious of their political potentiality, without rights or the institutions of representation.

It was a long stride from that position to membership, by election of their neighbours, in national, provincial, and municipal assemblies, under the reorganization laws of the late nineteenth century.

In old Japan the cult of Shinto was the dominant religious and social influence in the lives of the people.

It inculcated loyalty to the gods from whom they were descended; and especially to their *tenno*, the Emperor, himself a god and vicegerent of the gods.

Loyalty to him meant, of course, obedience to the mandates of the officials, humility in times of depression, sacrifice in war.

How to preserve the attitude, while tolerating the growth of national discussion of governmental policies, was a problem for the men to whom the powers of government were transferred when feudalism fell.

FOR THOSE MEN were opposed to democracy. Naturally so, since they were samurai of the feudal class, chief among them Choshu and Satsuma, which had forced out the Tokugawa.

Their model for the Japanese Constitution was that of Prussia, an absolutist system with a very limited suffrage and a correspondingly weak national legislature.

They purported to maintain the oligarchy, substituting themselves for the ousted men.

They would build up a powerful bureaucracy, indebted to them for position rather than to the people and the Diet. They would let the people's delegates talk but not decide policy or control administration.

WHAT IS happening in Japan?

There is a Cabinet crisis. Nothing extraordinary, you say. Other nations have Cabinet crises.

Yes. But for a parallel for the present crisis in Japan you may have to go back to Mussolini's March on Rome, or Hindenburg's summons to Hitler to take over the reins of Government.

It may be as bad as that. The fall of Konoye is the result of the latest, and possibly not the last, expression of the feudal spirit which has outlived the feudal system.

If you read the following article by Harold S. Gulgley, Professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota, you may form some idea of the significance of events in Tokyo.

The Constitution of Japan is, the Diet but to the Emperor. like all constitutions, but in a They may or not be selected from greater degree than others, large- the membership of the Diet. ly unwritten.

Looking first at the written of Foreign Affairs, War, and the portion, we find a Diet of two Navy, are never so chosen, and the Chambers—a House of Repre- the Ministers of War and of the sentatives and a House of Peers. Navy are required by law to be sentatives and a House of Peers. Navy are required by law to be

The former is elected by male voters, aged at least 25 years, Not mentioned in the Con- stitution but established by law, who today constitute an elector- ated of 14,400,000 men.

The House of Peers is partly appointed, partly elected. The appointed peers receive their warrants of office from the Emperor but are nominated by the Premier. The elected peers are chosen by the various classes of the nobility, by high tax- payers, and by the Imperial Academy.

Thus the two bodies differ considerably in social background and attitude. The Diet has not yet attained to an appreciable influence over national policy, due to the great- er superior powers of the executive and to popular in- difference to democratic ideas, an indifference which has been carefully fostered by the edu- cational authorities.

THE EXECUTIVE, if we fol- low the written Constitution, is composed of the Emperor, the Privy Council, and the Cabinet. The Privy Council is a body of 26 elderly men, chosen for life by the Premier from the ranks of the bureaucracy, the military services, and the professions.

The Cabinet is a group of a dozen ministers of state, each heading a department, together with a premier. The Premier is appointed by the Emperor upon the advice of certain elder statesmen.

He and the other Cabinet members are responsible not to the formulation of national policy in all fields but one. On matters of national defence the supreme command, which we may best envisage as the several military and naval agencies in collaboration, is empowered to decide.

This power, however, is limited by the Cabinet's right to frame the budget and to carry on foreign relations. While the former right does not extend to deleting budget items previously set up, it does cover new items.

However, the views of the Cabinet must pass the scrutiny of the Privy Council, of the *genro*, and of the palace advisers. At any stage of their progress toward the imperial signature they may be held up for revision or rejected outright.

Thus the Cabinet is constantly under fire and subject to a perplexing variety of controls. The embarrassing strength of these checks upon the Cabinet springs from the age of the res- training organs and their closer kinship with the dominant social forces in the country.

Moreover, Japanese political tradition calls for divided respon- sibility. The theory of Cabinet government is not yet establish- ed in Japan. It can develop only by understandings over a lengthy period.

This development is not ham- pered by the imperial preroga- tive, since the Emperor does not make decisions on policy. No doubt development would be more rapid if he did.

The absence of imperial deci- sion results in frequent dead- locks and delays, out of which ultimately emerges whatever line of policy is favoured by the agency that is dominant at the moment.

At one time that may be the supreme command, at another time the *genro*, since even the *genro* cannot always have the deciding word. This means that one or the other powerful group is likely to be resentful and eager to redress the balance when a new issue arises.

THE ROLE of the Diet in the contest for power is a minor one. Impotent from the start, it has had to rely upon the growth of popular political consciousness to provide it with a leverage for constitutional reform.

Unhappily, although there has been a considerable development along desired lines, it has not been fruitful because the House of Representatives and the parties have steadily lost credit, due to their demonstrated lack of principles and willingness to sacrifice the cause of Liberalism for party success and individual enrichment.

THE REAL OPPOSITION to military extremism is sup- plied by the bureaucracy. The permanent civil service, ramifying through the entire governmental structure, from the departments in Tokyo through the provincial adminis- trations, including the police, and highly centralised through the Ministry of Home Affairs, provides the warp and woof of government.

The strongest men in the poli- tical parties were formerly in the civil service, while the Privy Council and the House of Peers take their tone from promoted bureaucrats. Even when the Cabinet is made up almost wholly of party members, the bureaucracy controls it. The real contest for power in modern Japan has always been one between two great bureau- cracies, the civil and the mili- tary.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"He's really a wonderful doctor—only this morning he said we look more like sisters than mother and daughter!"

INCREASE IN BRITAIN'S TRADE

£2,700,000 Rise In Exports

BRITISH export trade for October disclosed in Board of Trade returns while still showing a heavy decrease as against a year ago, was better than in September, and registered the highest total for any month this year.

This result suggests a halt in trade recession, although the increases shown in various of the leading articles, while welcome, are still too small to suggest a general strong revival.

Shipments of British goods and produce last month were up £2,731,030, as against September, while re-exports rose £1,408,031, making total exports £4,139,070 higher.

While exports were up imports also increased, compared with the previous month, by £4,033,000. The visible adverse balance, therefore, showed little change, being £31,028,877 last month, against £31,154,051 in September.

In October last year the adverse balance was the large one of £43,284,078. For the ten months to date the balance of trade against this country is £320,086,004, compared with £340,438,713.

BALANCE STILL HIGH

While a contraction is shown on the year caused by the heavy drop in imports, due largely to lower prices, the balance is still high. The desirability of increasing exports to improve the position is particularly apparent now because of the recent weakness of sterling.

Results for October compared with those of October last year, are:

	Month's Decrease	Total
Imports	78,034,856	17,153,729
Exports (brill.)	42,550,904	4,650,032
Re-exports	1,408,031	52,248
Total exports	43,958,935	4,702,280

In British exports, manufactured goods showed a decline as against a year ago of £4,400,310, and raw materials were down £498,520. The food, drink, and tobacco section recorded an increase of £291,645.

CHEMICAL EXPORTS UP

Changes shown in the principal industries were:

	Month's Increase or Total Decrease (—)
Iron and steel	£1,200,268 — £ 899,109
Non-ferrous metals	£4,818,978 + £ 180,085
Machinery	£4,213,308 — £1,863,143
Cotton goods	£2,290,502 — £ 442,080
Woolen goods	£1,222,434 — £ 440,340
Misc. textiles	£2,345,231 + £ 249,771
Chemicals	£1,245,538 — £ 268,642

Compared with September iron and steel exports last month were up £440,620 and machinery showed a rise of £307,132. Cotton goods advanced £231,645 and chemicals were higher by £618,847.

Vehicles, however, registered a drop of £2,091,354, the September figure having been swollen by the hurried delivery of new ships because of the international crisis.

Coal exports last month, while £208,778 lower than a year ago, were £422,434 better than in September.

DECLINE IN COTTON

Of the large decrease in imports compared with October last year, £8,987,237 occurred in raw materials, £4,019,531 in the food, drink and tobacco section and £4,150,003 in manufactures.

In raw material imports the principal declines were:

	Month's Decrease	Total
Iron ore and scrap	431,232	676,908
Wood and timber	4,600,803	2,205,482
Raw cotton	2,292,550	2,090,577
Raw wool	2,231,022	1,706,007
Oil seeds	2,411,801	118,803
Rubber	606,635	652,668

Among foodstuffs, grain and flour showed a drop of £3,183,728 to £5,350,326. Much of this fall is due to the decline in prices. This is shown in wheat where, while the quantity received was down only 551,888 cwt, the value was lower by £2,071,090.

In manufactured imports, iron and steel and manufactures thereof declined £1,533,584. Chemicals were up £525,580.

For the 10 months to the end of October British exports have totalled £398,105,400, a decrease, compared with the results for the corresponding period of 1937, of £43,093,125.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

rowen-tree	anachronism
semolina	enxation
rufus	fricance

English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

MERLE V. MARLENE

Hollywood. Britain's exotic film star Merle Oberon had an uncomfortable hour on the witness stand in Los Angeles Court recently when counsel introduced a letter drawing comparisons between Marlene Dietrich and herself.

Lyle Rucker, an attorney, is suing Miss Oberon for £1,100 legal fees allegedly due to him, and opposing counsel in the case introduced a letter written by David Selznick regarding the picture "The Garden of Allah," produced two years ago. The letter said:

"Dear Merle, I think it only right to advise you that we are negotiating with Marlene Dietrich to play the lead in 'The Garden of Allah'."

"It is not simply a case of my preferring one artist to another—the picture will cost £240,000, and this will require a gross of at least £400,000 to repay us. 'Therefore I have these alternatives: Proceed with the picture with you in it and probably lose up to £100,000; wait until you have progressed further on your meteoric rise and will really be a top star; or take advantage of Miss Dietrich's desire to do this picture.'"

Miss Oberon declared that her feelings were hurt by this, but not to the point where she refused to make another Selznick picture.

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Carnera Is In Love Again

Primo Carnera, the former heavyweight boxer who is now Italy's newest screen star, has become engaged to Signorina Joscoppa Cavazzo, of Santa Lucia Isanzo.

Signorina Cavazzo is a cleric in the Post Office.

"I am madly in love," he said.

"She simply must marry me." In 1933 Miss Emilia Tesini, a Soho waitress, was awarded £4,200 damages for breach of promise against Primo Carnera.

Miss Marie Finegan, the Bath housemaid who recently prosecuted her employer, a local doctor, for assault by kissing her and putting his arm around her, has been married.

The bridegroom is Mr. Henry James Canby, 21-years-old, a carpenter, the son of a Bath policeman. Miss Finegan has been living with the parents of her husband at Seymour-road, Bath. She was married at Bath Register Office. The witnesses of the marriage were her sweetheart's parents.

At Bath Police Court, on August 20, Dr. C. Bernard Kelly, of Gay-street, Bath, was fined £2 and ordered to pay three guineas costs for the assault upon Miss Finegan.

His appeal, heard at Bath Quarter Sessions, failed, but the costs were reduced by 5s, because the magistrate was not empowered to impose a fine and costs exceeding £5.

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WOMAN LEAPS 120 FEET TO HER DEATH

City Crowds Shocked By Tragedy

Sydney.

Horrified city crowds saw a 40-year-old New Zealand masseuse named Miss Muriel Hare jump 120 feet to her death from the roof of the Hotel Australia here.

The tragedy occurred at the busiest hour of the day, a little after 5 p.m.

Miss Hare's body, shockingly mutilated, fell on the tramline in Castlereagh street outside the door of the hotel.

Crowds in the street and the vicinity were against. Women screamed and fainted, and many staggered into nearby shops and theatre foyers to recover.

Miss Hare, who had been in Australia for a holiday, had booked a passage in the liner Awatea, which was due to sail for New Zealand at 5 p.m.

At 4.45 p.m. she engaged a taxi outside a big city store where she had been doing some last-minute shopping. She drove to the Hotel Australia, where she had been staying, went to the lift and asked to be taken to the top floor.

PIERCING SCREAM

Shortly afterwards a piercing scream from a bystander in Castlereagh Street heralded the tragedy.

A moment later the woman's body hit the street with a loud crash.

Within ten minutes thousands of people packed the street, and required police control.

The Central Ambulance arrived and removed the woman's body while Fire Brigade workers had the grim task of cleaning the street with hoses and buckets of sand.

Police believe that the woman must have run and jumped, for she fell so far into the street that she missed the verandah of the hotel, which extends across the footpath.

If she had stood on the side of the roof and leapt, she would almost certainly have hit the verandah.

Wed In Secret: Divorce Plea

THE Hon. Mrs. Clive Martyn—before her marriage the Hon. Phyllis Bethell, daughter of Lord Bethell—recently began divorce proceedings against her husband, Captain Clive H. Martyn, M.C.

Captain Martyn is defending the action. He is aged forty-two; his wife is twenty-nine.

In 1925 Captain Martyn married the Hon. Vera Pearl Jessel, second daughter of Lord Jessel. She died in 1928.

Captain Martyn secretly married his present wife in March 1933.

Town Clerk Disputes Wife's £43,000 Will

MR. John Whitehead, Town Clerk of Tunbridge Wells, brought an action in the Probate Court recently to upset a will made by his wife on May 8, 1936, leaving most of the income from her £43,641 estate to charity.

He propounded another will of August 12, 1927, with a codicil of October, 1935, in favour of himself, claiming that when Mrs. Whitehead made the second she was not of sound mind, memory or understanding, and that it was executed on a sudden impulse.

Defendants were the R.S.P.C.A., the All-India Society, the N.S.P.C.C., the All-India Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Albert Edward Tolley and Gladys May Tolley (brother and sister of Mrs. Whitehead) and Nicholas Tolley, an infant (the son of Mr. A. E. Tolley).

Mr. J. P. Eddy, K.C., for the N.S.P.C.C. and the All-India S.P.C.A., stated that the two societies he represented were the only defendants who sought to set up the 1936 will.

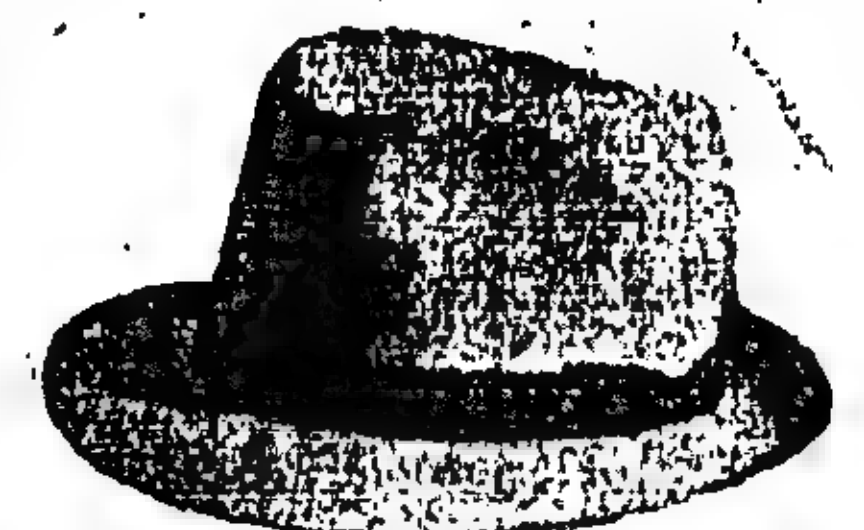
Under it Mrs. Whitehead directed the trustee to pay Mr. Whitehead out of the income of the residuary estate £300 a year for life, or until he remarried. The balance of the income

was to be paid to the three defendant societies.

Mr. Eddy submitted that Mrs. Whitehead made her second will because she took the view that her husband was well provided for and did not need her money. The married life must have been unhappy.

There was no doubt that in the summer before the 1936 will Mrs. Whitehead was concerned about her health, but it was clear that she was highly intelligent and capable of managing her own affairs.

Her view was: "Why should I leave the bulk of my income to him so that he can lavish it upon a second wife?" The hearing was adjourned.



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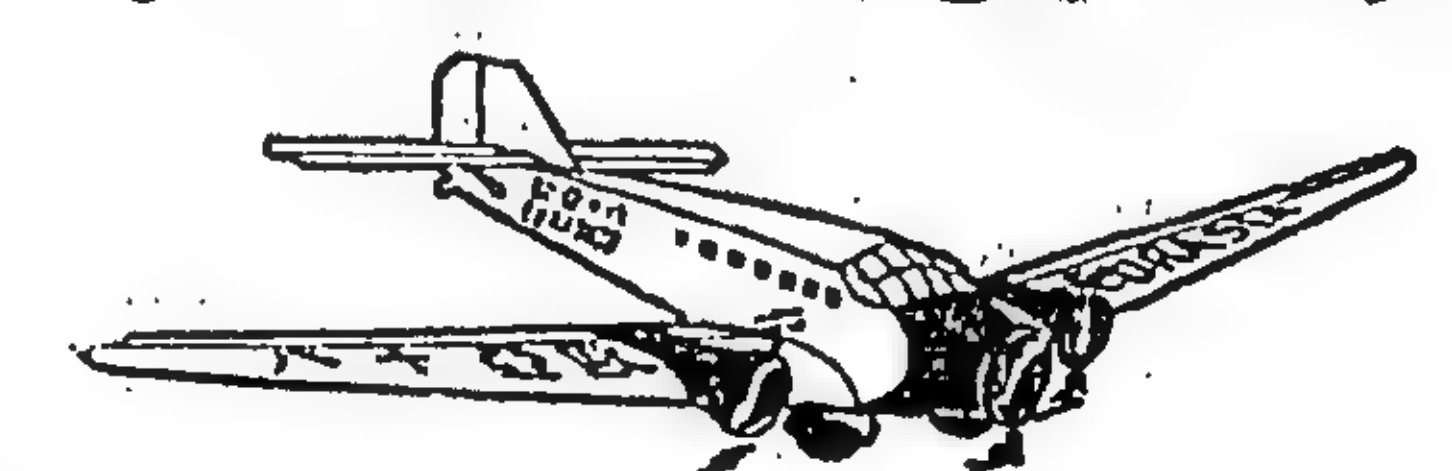
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LOOKING BACK ON CHAMPION'S BRIGHT CAREER

(By "Captain Foster")

May I have the pleasure of taking readers back to the Spring of 1932? In that season we saw a wonderful China pony in Liberty Bay (owned by Mr. L. Dunbar) who made his first public appearance in the most exclusive classic event, the Hongkong Derby, which sets a terrific test and strain over a distance journey of one and a half miles. After winning the Blue Riband with consummate ease, Liberty Bay was turned out by the connections to have a good rest and his next outing was an easy passage in the Sixth Aggregate Stakes over a mile in the late October meeting, the run being merely a pipe-opener in preparation for the Hongkong St. Leger.

However, it was after the first public performance that many competent judges of horse-flesh considered that Liberty Bay was one of the finest China ponies that ever raced at Happy Valley. Some held the opinion that it would be hard to find a big "un" to lower his head whilst other followers of the turf prognosticated that the bay stallion would retire some day without suffering a defeat. Like everything else, one cannot go on for ever, but the form book reveals that on every occasion of Liberty Bay's success the decision was always by the length of a street with a load of pounds to spare. He was a non-combatant in 1937. The "lay off" on account of being "golly" was, if I may be permitted to say so, a terrible disaster and the end came on February 23 of last year when he met his Waterloo in Silkylight, owned by Mr. Eric Moller of Shanghai. It was the one and only occasion that the gallant hero ever walked behind a China pony in a procession to the unsaddling enclosure in front of the weighing room, but please remember that Liberty Bay started his racing career in 1932 with two dozen easy wins to his credit and he has collected a grand total of \$30,148 for his American owner.

VINTAGE OF 1938 Three Outstanding Ponies

Now we jump forward to 1938. The absence of a long list of Derby griffins (China ponies) was much marked last year, but it was fully compensated for by a fine increase in quality, the best three being Confusion Bay, Desert Chief and Silkylight.

Enough has been said about the last named steed, but we know very little of Desert Chief whose first appearance was when the stallion got his revenge in the Easter Stakes over a mile, beating Bear Claw and Silkylight by a good margin. It was indeed a great pity that Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate was under a cloud and the chestnut pony was away from the racecourse during the second half. It will be recalled that his best public performance was in the Mrs Bay Handicap over a jaunt from the two mile post, once round and in, trouncing Mr. T. E. Pearce's King's Warden and Lady Northcote's Gladiator by margins of two lengths and 2.65 which was a creditable run for a griffin. Desert Chief

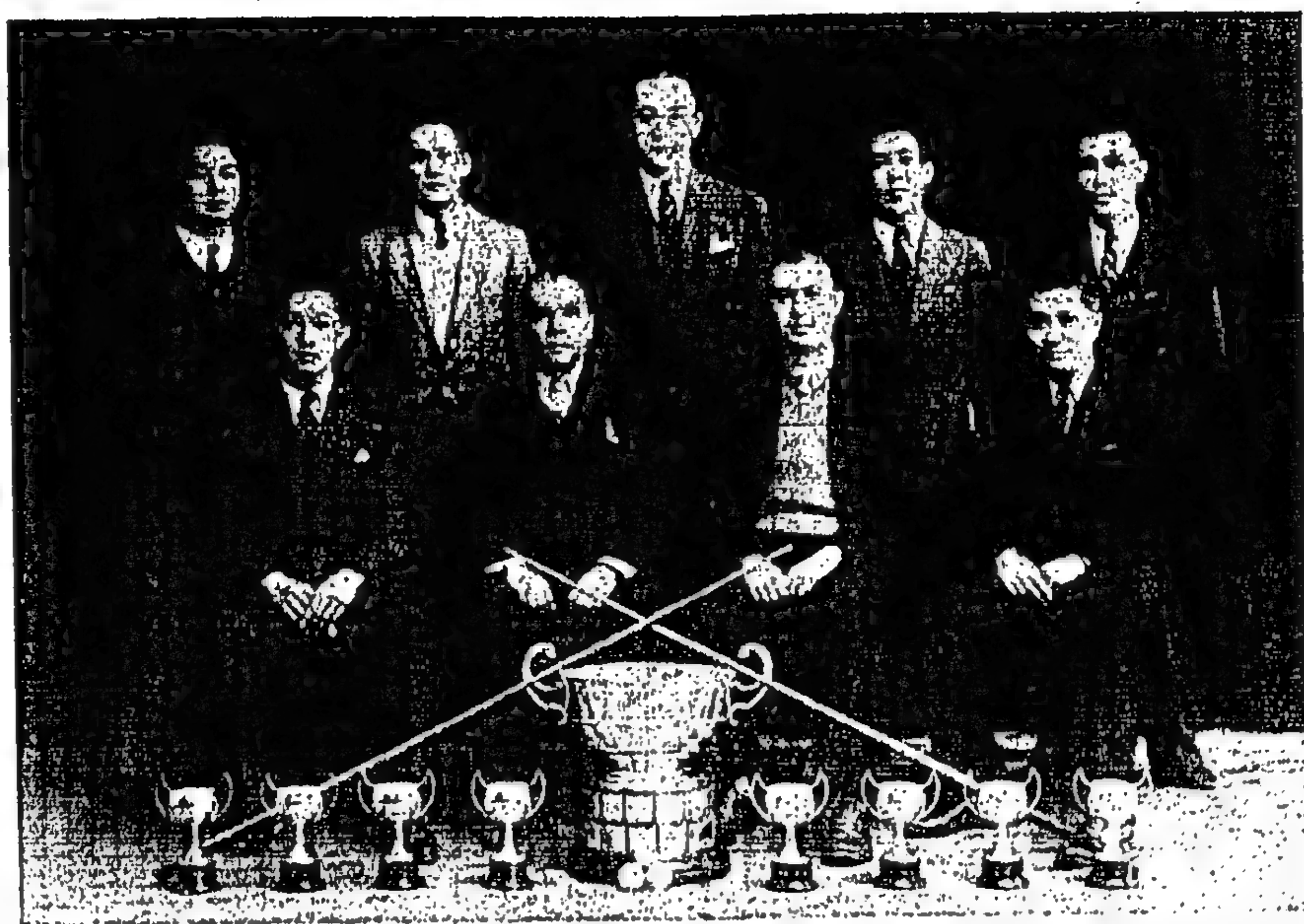
lowered the previous record figure (2.20) held by King's Warden (2.20) of Britain and Soldier of Honour) by three two-fifths seconds and the last mile was galloped in 1.52 1/2. A note should be kept of this fast run. It is learned that the stallion is no longer on the walking list. Confusion Bay is another I have in my note book. This bay stallion belonging to Mr. L. Dunbar was never unplaced and he came under the starter's flag nine times. He is quite young, but keep an eye on him at the Annual Carnival and also Cameronian who has won three beautiful souvenirs, the American Club Cup, the Lusitano Cup and St. George's Plate for Mr. Eu Tong-sen.

Louis XIV Undoubtedly Best Of Sub-Griffins: Absent In Second Half

The same story is told every year, that is, one subscription griffin among the China ponies turns out to be head and shoulders above all others. Louis XIV owned by the jockey Mr. S. W. Tang collared \$6,333 for his seven outings during two months, but the chestnut gelding never appeared in public again after the March meeting. His absence, coupled with that of Smiling Thru who pulled up lame after the September meeting, gave Salvage Master owned by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield two classics, the Sub-griffins St. Leger and the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions. This luck at the wheel brought in \$4,000 while Smiling Thru made \$4,700 for Mr. Eu Tong-sen. Louis XIV would have piled up more if he had started after the recess. However there is not much prospect of Louis XIV appearing at the Annual meeting, but Smiling Thru, it is learned, will be donning the silk. Piet Hein of the Hollandia syndicate is fourth in the undermentioned list with a balance of \$2,044 to his credit.

Acme	175
African Cat	500
All Baba	100
Arabian Cat	—
Astrik	425
Besteuer	—
Bo Yourself	175
Borrachito	1,250
Cape Comorin	850
Captain Blood	—
Celebration Day	—
Charabdis	675
Cleeve	175
Cloudy Star	325
Cricketer	300
Cuban Love	800
Daddy Longlegs	125
Dark Hazard	375
Dokko	1,975
Desert Star	2,338
Double Up	—
Eagle	250
Easy Time	687
Fel Ying	1,075
Ferrybridge	—
Final Triumph	2,037
Five Tilers	575

The form book shows that in The Bag and Tommy weighed out once during the season, but Wenning holds the record of starting 22 times. Cape Comorin, Lucky Eleven and National Dignity came under the starter's orders on 21 occasions, the latter two running in Macao and Fanling. National Force and Sen Dragon have each a win, the rest of their outings being unplaced and Stylic registered five wins in Macao and one in Fanling. He has no liking for Happy Valley. The best dividend of the year was \$530 paid by National Guard in the Fokien Plate over a mile ridden by a novice, Mr. Young Wing-kwai.



Above are members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps billiards team which recently won the 1938 "Soldiers' Club Tournament." There are some very fine players in the Corps.—Photo by Mee Cheung.

Silkylight Wins Most Stake Money

Last season undoubtedly brought forward some lovely "A" class China ponies, but judging by what there are at present in training for the Derby griffins drew from the coffers of the Hongkong Jockey Club a total sum of \$49,955 and the list is made up as follows:

Advancing Time	\$ 5,300
Cameroon	4,243
Confusion Bay	2,800
Desert Chief	1,500
Elizabeth	1,500
Expression Time	2,075
Fowey	—
Half-Moon Eve	1,700
Handicap Eve	1,100
Humdrum Eve	2,950
J. C.	—
Jobber	2,925
Just In Time	2,550
Lancashire Boy	200
Lancashire Lass	2,800
Lucky	1,000
Moonlight View	2,575
National Defence	500
National Bride	1,200
Pinfarthings	—
Rose Jane	1,050
Silkylight	10,751
Sunlight View	2,000
Tampa Bay	—
The Giant Panda	—
Total	\$49,955

(* value of three Cups included). It will be seen that Silkylight heads the list with \$10,751 and the amount is \$562 higher than that won by Trentbridge belonging to Mrs. T. E. Pearce in 1933. It is interesting to relate that five China ponies out of 25 failed to collect a cent, but Jobber and Lancashire Lass weighed out 16 times.



Lieut. Walters, of H.M.S. Medway, the Navy left-wing three-quarter, who has been playing consistently well for the Navy raggers fifteen in the Triangular Tournament this season.—Photo by A. A. Kohn.

Donald Budge Again Beats Vines

San Francisco, Jan. 5. In their second professional encounter, Donald Budge again beat Ellsworth Vines by three straight sets. The lanky Californian has won all six sets so far played against Vines.—United Press.

MAKING GOLF HARDER

New Par Figures Ruling For U.S. Women

Edinburgh, Dec. 7. Women's golf will be made slightly more difficult from January 1, according to an announcement of the United States Golf Association, acting on the recommendation of the Women's Committee of the Association increasing the number of yards suggested as a guide in computing women's par on American courses.

For a par 3 hole the recommendation increases the yardage by ten, and for other holes by about twenty-five, as follows:—
Par 3—Up to 210 yards (instead of 200).
Par 4—211 to 400 yards (instead of 201 to 375).
Par 5—401 to 575 yards (instead of 376 to 550).
Par 6—576 and over (instead of 551 and over).

These figures are not arbitrary. The Association points out that some allowance should be made for the nature of the ground and other difficult conditions, such as the severity of the hazards, especially at a hole where the par is doubtful.

Football

Manila Asked To Come Here

It was decided, at a meeting of the Hongkong Football Association, held on Wednesday night, to invite Manila here during the Chinese New Year Holidays and to send a team to the Philippines at the end of the season.

Negotiations have been going on for some time between the two bodies and Hongkong were waiting for certain information from Manila.

Though no reply had been received from Manila, the Hongkong Football Association, decided, in view of the short time left for arrangements, to invite Manila and proceed with the arrangements.

THREE-GAME SERIES

Confirmation of Manila's acceptance is expected in a few days.

The visitors are to play three games here. The first will be against the Colony, the second against the Combined Chinese and the third and last game against the Reserve team of the Colony.

It was decided that all the games be played at Causeway Bay.

The following were chosen as selectors of the team: Messrs. Wong Ka-tsun and R. M. Omar, Capt. E. H. P. Neill and Commissioner Gunner H. Cooper.

Badminton

WANDERERS BEATEN BY SAINTS' "A"

At St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday evening, St. Andrew's "A" beat Wanderers by 6 games to 3 after leading by 6 games to 0.

W. C. Choy and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's) beat E. Zimmerman and J. S. Ho 21-12; lost to S. W. Liang and E. S. Ho 15-21; beat T. J. Ong and C. Y. Yung 21-7.

E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's) beat Zimmerman and Ho 21-12; beat Liang and Ho 21-14; lost to Ong and Yung 11-21.

W. M. Gillis and A. E. Brown (St. Andrew's) lost to Zimmerman and Ho 13-21; beat Liang and Ho 21-18; beat Ong and Yung 21-12.

MIXED DOUBLES

Two matches in the Mixed Doubles are down for decision this evening, the programme being as follows: University v. Recolet St. John's v. Kowloon Tong

"A" Division Fixtures On Monday

The attention of Badminton players is drawn to errors in the handbook concerning the dates of the "A" Division matches. According to the book, matches in 1939 will be played on Friday, January 6 (to-day), and on each subsequent Friday until February 3.

These dates are wrong. The first matches will be played on Monday, January 9, and on every subsequent Monday until the conclusion of the schedule.

HOW DAVIS BROKE THE WORLD'S SNOOKER RECORD

For the eighth time in his life, Joe Davis, world snooker champion, broke the world's record for the highest break at snooker. In the fifth frame in the afternoon of his heat with Alec Brown, in the Daily Mail Gold Cup tournament, at Thurston's Hall, Leicester-square, he potted every ball on the table in a break of 138. Brown, however, won the match in the evening.

Three weeks previously Davis created a record of 137 at Leicester. In 1937 he made 135, to beat a break of 133 by Sidney Smith made in 1936, which at the time it was thought would never be beaten. The highest possible, under normal circumstances, is 147.

The record run consisted of the 15 reds, 11 blacks, one pink, two blues, one green, and all the pool balls. Davis broke; Brown played a safety shot; Davis tried a long pot and missed; Brown failed at a cocked-hat double and left a red near the top left pocket.

The reds were well placed. Davis played swiftly and surely, had a few awkward moments, and when, with the pool balls left, Chambers called the score at 111, Davis looked up in surprise and exclaimed: "Why, there is a new record here."

DIFFICULT SHOT

One last and most difficult shot awaited him. Pink, last ball but one, was an almost straight shot into the bottom pocket, and to get on to the black with certainty Davis had to screw the cue ball back.

He looked at the black, smiled confidently, and stood away to chalk his cue. Then he banged the black into the middle of the bag, and with a broad grin stood back while the crowd cheered. Chambers waited patiently for the cheering to die down and then announced quietly the new record.

Only once was Davis's superb confidence affected. As he passed the 100 there was a burst of applause, and as he was addressing for his next shot a spectator broke the silence with a shout, "Why don't you give him a clap, Brown?"

This was Davis's 80th three-figure break, and his tenth since the present season opened. He has high hopes that he will make his hundred before the season ends, a record without parallel in this game, and the equal of any sporting record in the world.

Candidates For Sullivan 1938 Award

Prominent Golfers Also Mentioned

Washington, D.C., Dec. 20. A list of ten candidates for the 1938 Sullivan Award, made by the National Amateur Athletic Union to the athlete voted as the year's outstanding sportsman or sportswoman, has been handed to the A.A.U. by the Sullivan Award Committee. The list is as follows:—

Charles (Chuck) Fenske, miler from University of Wisconsin.

Joe Burk, National Sculling Champion, of Philadelphia.

Charles E. Yates, British amateur golf champion and Walker Cup team star, of Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Katherine Rawls Thompson, swimming star, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Adolf Klefer, all-round swimming star, of Chicago.

Fred Walcott, Rice University hurdler.

Ray Mallott, Stanford University quarter-miler.

Ben Johnson, sprinter, formerly of Columbia University.

Don Lash, former Indiana University middle-distance and distance running star, now a policeman in Indiana.

Miss Patty Berg, national women's golf champion, of Minneapolis.

The winner's name will be announced early in the New Year.

Don Budge, tennis star, received the award last year.—Reuter.

TENNIS STARS RESIGN FROM COMMITTEE

Because they felt that they had been slighted by the regular members of the Lawn Tennis Association's Selection Committee, tennis stars H. G. N. Lee and E. R. Avory, co-opted members of the committee, have resigned.

Lee and Avory were appointed last year on the recommendation of the seeded players as being in touch with modern conditions and having a better knowledge of the players likely to be chosen for international matches.

Avory said that, in addition to their feeling that they had been slighted, they felt that the L.T.A. was out of touch with modern conditions.

"When the mixed doubles team to represent Britain in the forthcoming tour to South Africa was selected, neither Lee nor myself was invited to attend," Avory added.

"The omission to ask us was put down to a slip, but nobody at that meeting seems to have asked, 'Where are Lee and Avory?' Nothing has been done to explain why we were not asked."

"Lee and I were appointed to represent the players because, being younger and recently in big lawn tennis, it was supposed that we knew more about modern conditions than the regular members who have served since the war."

"But what is the good if no notice is taken of what we say?"

H. G. N. Lee is an old British Davis cup player and E. R. Avory is an international.

There are no active players on the selection committee.

St. Andrew's Hockey Teams Announced

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Cner Clark match against the "Y" Ladies to-morrow at 2.45 p.m. on the "Y" Ground.

J. Hall, M. Rosa, G. White, H. Reid, J. Wong, F. Poligara, F. Wong, F. Churn, F. Gittins, A. Greiner and I. Gittins.

DRAWN CUP

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Drawn Cup match against Recolet "B" to-morrow at 4 p.m. on the C.B.A. Ground.

R. Ross, D. Chow, J. Broadbridge, M. Newman, M. Vessop, H. O'Sullivan, P. Jeffries, Y. Ho, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

HOCKEY MATCHES WITH MACAO

Macao, Jan. 4. Keen enthusiasm has been the keynote in local sports circles over the announcement that the Macao Hockey Club's first eleven will engage a team of the Royal Navy consisting of officers on Sunday, Jan. 8. The match will be played in Macao.

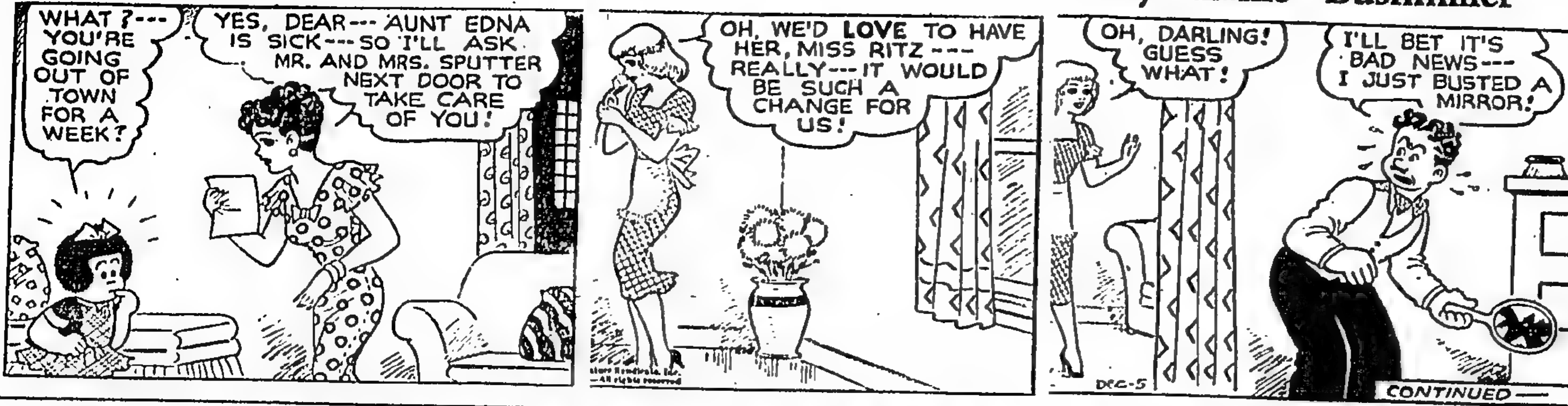
Other fixtures for following week-ends have also been arranged and it is learned that the Hongkong Police team will visit Macao on Jan. 15, and the 1st and 2nd elevens of the Y.M.C.A. will play here on Jan. 22. A further match scheduled for this month is to take place on Jan. 29 when the team of the 1st Kumon Rifles will be seen.—Our Own Correspondent.



Miss Maton, the youngest member and right-winger of the Sandals Ladies' team. She is only 12.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



SIX INTERESTING EVENTS FOR MACAO

SHANGHAI 4 SHOULD WIN OPENING RACE: SZECHUEN HANDICAP

(By "Captain Foster")

Fairly good entries have been received for the January Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club to be held at Arcia Preta on Sunday. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

Attention of racegoers is drawn to the fact that the S. S. Taishan will depart from the Canton steamers' wharf at 9.30 a.m., returning from Macao at 6 p.m. instead of 3.30 a.m. on Monday morning.

A programme of six interesting events will be presented, the opening race being the Szechuen Handicap (first section) for the Macao subscription "Y" class China ponies over nine furlongs. Shanghai 4 has been set to shoulder the top weight and I gather that he is in better condition than when I saw him at the last meeting. Fairy Auk, the winner of the Macao Handicap over a mile, has been well looked after by the weight adjuster and this little grey nag of Mrs. F. J. Gellion is only 4 lbs. behind the Macao champion. A good tussle between these two is assured, but my fancy is Shanghai 4. Hogmanay should secure a place.

The Chinghai Handicap (first section) for "E" class China ponies is a sprint over six furlongs and it looks that Sylene will give Mac's Adventure a good run for the money. The latter, measuring only 13.2, has to carry an extra 10 lbs. of lead over the scale weight and this is no joke for a tiny tot. We must not, however, overlook Yum Sing and National Triumph for a short distance trip. I, of course, like Sylene because he has a liking for the Portuguese course. The two low weighters, Cricketer and National Dignity, are not out of the race and I would certainly recommend Cricketer for a long shot.

ANYTHING MAY HAPPEN

We should see a good scramble over half-a-mile in the Kansu Handicap for "D" class China ponies, for anything may happen in this event. When they clashed in the Kiang Wu Handicap over six furlongs run in Macao on December 11, Double Chance (winner) was in receipt of a pound from Good Morning and Gold Sovereign who finished second and third respectively, whereas on Sunday Double Chance has been asked to concede 10 lbs. to the we moken for a beating of three lengths. Somehow or other, Gold Sovereign has always done well in Macao, and with the adjustment of the lead in his favour his chance is very rosy. National Anthem is nicely weighted and he may upset the applecart. The Leopard has never made the excursion, but Cuban Love and Wenning should be respected.

In the Szechuen Handicap (second section) for "Y" class China ponies over nine furlongs, Coeur Bleu

looks a good thing to me, but he must keep an eye on Merry Fatty who has done pretty well in his last two outings. Rothesay Bay and Gold Clause are both dangerous.

The Chinghai Handicap (second section) for "E" class China ponies is to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races and the journey is over the six furlongs course. Persian Cat is trained in Macao and I should the best be in the same condition when he finished second to David Hazard in the Wuchang Handicap. I cannot see anything to beat him. Cloudy Star and Eagle should fill the other two places in the frame.

Not being provided with a list of entries for the Ladies' steeple (unofficial) over three furlongs, I much regret that the tipping must be left to readers' discretion.

SELECTIONS

My selections for the first five events are as follows:

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Shanghai 4
Fairy Auk
Hogmanay

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Sylene
Yum Sing
Mac's Adventure

KANSU HANDICAP

Gold Sovereign
Double Chance
National Anthem

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Coeur Bleu
Merry Fatty
Rothesay Bay

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Persian Cat
Cloudy Star
Eagle

Job Hunter "Hates Work"

Atlantic City, N. J. An unnamed youth, advertised in an Atlantic City newspaper: "Young man, 27, hates work. Desires easy job with short hours and large salary. Local references."



With all these stars to give it zing and sparkle, 20th Century-Fox's "Sally, Irene and Mary" is the top hit of Darryl F. Zanuck, musical hit-maker. Shown above are (top, left to right) FRED ALLEN, TONY MARTIN, LOUISE HOVICK, GREGORY RATOFF, and JIMMY DURANTE. The three stars of swing (below) in search of social security are (left to right) ALICE FAYE, JOAN DAVIS and MARJORIE WEAVER. The picture is being shown at the King's Theatre.

Kowloon Football Teams Announced

The following will represent the Kowloon Football Club in their matches to-morrow:

Senior XI (v. Middlesex at Kowloon)—Harley, Everett, Eastman, Maxwell, Bliss, Bell, W. Knox, Jorge, Honnball, V. White and Rietzen.

Junior XI (v. Middlesex at Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)—Coleman, Humphrey, Gomes, Carlos, Fernandes, Hardwick, Jorge, C. M. Santos, G. White, H. Santos and Cruz.

INDOOR BOWLING

Wardroom Officers and Stoker Petty Officers of H.M.S. Cardiff met in an eight-side bowling match at the Hongkong Bowling Alloys on Wednesday, the latter winning by 528-509.

It is understood that the match was a return game to one played in Weihsaiwei, and bowling being in the "Weihsaiwei" style, scoring was considerably lower than it would have been had the orthodox methods been used. The match was a most enjoyable one, and a rousing evening was spent.

Rugby Last Game In Triangular Tournament Army Fifteen To Play Navy

The last game in this year's Triangular Tournament will take place on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay to-morrow, when the Army will play the Navy. The match will commence at 4 p.m., and will be refereed by Dr. J. A. R. Selby. After the game the Triangular Tournament Cup will be presented to the winners. There will be a game before the big match, when two Club sides will oppose each other, commencing at 2.45 p.m. These sides have been selected as follows:

White.—M. W. MacGrath; D. L. Bonarquet, F. M. Thompson, G. S. Wilson, H. van Leeuwen; J. Hutchison, E. C. Luscombe; K. A. Watson, K. W. Salter, C. M. Stark, B. Hyner, G. M. Marrs, J. Redman, A. J. G. Taylor (Captain) and W. B. Richardson.

Colours.—J. T. Brown; G. K. Chadwick, H. D. Bidwell (Captain), W. E. Grieve, D. H. Stewart, F. Crawford, J. R. Henderson; R. G. L. Oliphant, W. E. Peers, E. W. Stout, A. F. Walker, E. A. Bonpas, H. W. E. Heath, C. G. Davis and K. H. G. White.

White jerseys will be provided on the Navy ground.

NAVY FIFTEEN

The following have been selected to represent the Navy XV:

Pay Lt. Stevens (H.M.S. Kent); Ldg. Tel. Kelly (Kent), P. O. Askwith (Dainty), Lt. Skelton (Medway); Pay Mid. Hankin (Kent); Lt. Elliot (Eagle), Capt. Lt. Talbot (Medway); Ldg. Sea, Romms (Eagle), Mr. Withford (Dunoon), Lt. Boddington (Medway), P. O. King (Tamar), Lt. Darling (Medway), Lt. Orie (Medway), Lt. Griffiths (Medway), Sub. Lt. Hain (Eagle).

ENTRIES RECEIVED FOR INTER-HONG SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The following entries have been received for the Inter-Hong Softball League, which was formed at a meeting on December 28: Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Chartered Bank National City Bank of New York, Nederlandsch Indische

Starting Times Announced Golf At Fanling On Sunday

The following are the starting times for Fanling on Sunday:

Old Course	
9.16	J. L. C. Pearce, J. S. Dunnett.
9.20	C. H. Burton & C. Young.
9.24	C. D. N. Walker, L. M. Wylie.
9.28	D. L. Prophet, J. Harrop.
9.32	J. H. Hodges, A. L. Potter.
9.36	A. W. Hodges, A. L. Potter.
9.40	C. W. E. Bishop, J. Forbes.
9.44	O. Baldwin, G. McGee.
9.48	S. T. Butler, L. A. Mill.
9.52	R. M. Wood, J. P. Petrie.
9.56	W. W. C. Shevan, L. Jackson.
10.00	R. M. Henderson, T. C. Monaghan.
10.04	W. A. MacKinnon, J. E. Potter.
10.08	M. McNeill, J. W. Alabaster.
10.12	W. Woodard, H. N. Williamson.
10.16	Wine, Cdr. Steele Perkins, Col. McNeve.
10.20	Lt. Cdr. Murray, J. W. Mayhew.
10.24	N. K. Littlejohn, J. G. Campbell.
10.28	D. J. Valente, J. R. Howell.
10.32	S. C. Feltham, T. McGarry.
10.36	J. Stenerson, D. H. Elkie.
10.40	C. Worrall, H. C. Millett.
10.44	L. M. S. Lloyd, D. Forbes.
10.48	P. S. Delany, C. M. Gee.
10.52	M. R. Davis, B. Stewart.
10.56	A. Sommerfeld, B. Purves.
11.00	L. R. Andrews, I. H. Geare.
11.04	F. Sommers, D. D. Forbes.
11.08	J. B. Morphet, N. L. Evans.
11.12	M. G. Carruthers, G. R. Hilditch.
11.16	Cdr. Hale, C. W. Jeffries.
11.20	G. H. Percy, D. Lyon.
11.24	E. E. Kerr, G. S. Archibut.
11.28	C. F. Marshall, Y. J. Johnson.

New Course	
9.20	S. H. Dwyer, S. J. H. Fox.
9.24	R. K. Valentine, P. H. Scoones.
9.28	A. C. I. Bowker, W. T. Voxall.
9.32	H. H. Mundy, A. S. Adamson.
9.36	Mrs. Nicol, Miss Green.
9.40	R. G. Gray, R. G. Parker.
9.44	J. P. Tenworth, D. Humphreys.
9.48	Miss Blackburn, Mrs. Bishop.
9.52	P. F. Annis, J. W. Clague.
9.56	J. F. Lewis, J. G. Coleworth.
10.00	K. S. Morrison, G. S. Archibut.
10.04	Mrs. MacKinnon, Miss Davis.
10.08	A. E. Mrs. Pearson.
10.12	H. & Mrs. Overy.
10.16	H. Carson, W. F. Arndt.
10.20	Mrs. R. Davis, Mrs. Weller.
10.24	G. H. Percy, Mrs. Lyon.
10.28	C. F. Marshall, Y. J. Johnson.

Handelbank, American Express, Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., Asiatic Petroleum Co., Texaco Oil Co. and Petty Officers' Mess, Kowloon.

Entrance fee is \$10 per team and entries will be closed at 6 p.m. on January 10, when a meeting will be held in the Book Club to discuss the date for commencement of the League.

Mr. L. R. Idefonso has offered the League the use of the Filipino Club on Sunday afternoons, pending the finding of a better venue.

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"Sally, Irene and Mary" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Although this film breaks no new ground in the way of musical shows as we know them, it provides better than average entertainment because of the good work of a few of the stars, principally Alice Faye, Joan Davis, Marjorie Weaver, Jimmy Durante and Tony Martin, not to mention Fred Allen and Gregory Ratoff. There are some catchy tunes, with quite a bit of comedy.

"The Rat" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—One of the most well-known English stage successes brought to the screen. Produced in England, this picture is memorable chiefly for the splendid dramatic performances of the three main characters, Anton (Albert) Walbrook, Ruth Chatterton (of American stage and screen fame) and Rene Ray. Ivor Novello's play relies chiefly on its melodramatic sentimental appeal, and in this the director, Jack Raymond, has made a good job of it.

"Painted Desert" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—Hearty exchanges of fistfuls, horse-riding and trigger work are the highlights of this "Western" yarn, with that old reliable he-man, George O'Brien, and the hero. Here is a film which will go well with youngsters, and also with those who like a change from the usual glut of sophisticated pictures.

"Beloved Enemy" (Oriental Theatre, to-day).—Brian Aherne and Merle Oberon are a new team in pictures and they are together here in a background of international intrigue.

"Lancer Spy" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Brisk melodrama of intrigue which introduces a new potential star named George Sanders. Because of their strong resemblance, a British naval captain is sent to Germany as a spy to impersonate a German officer. After various narrow escapes, he learns the secret he has been sent for, but reaches Switzerland only with the aid of a beautiful counter-spy who gives her life for his. Dolores del Rio, Peter Lorre, Joseph Schildkraut and Virginia Field are also in the cast.

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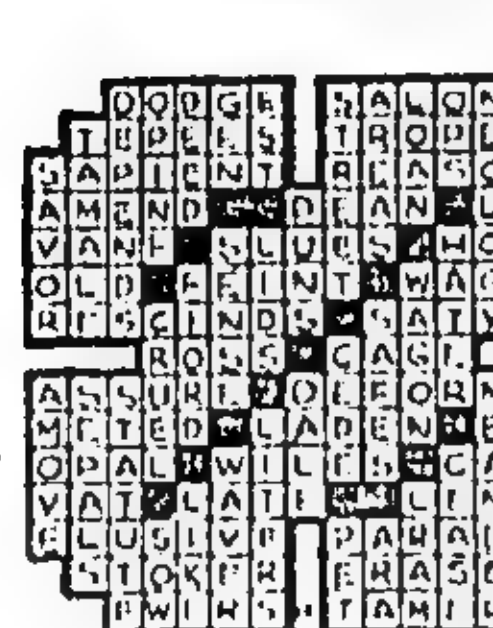
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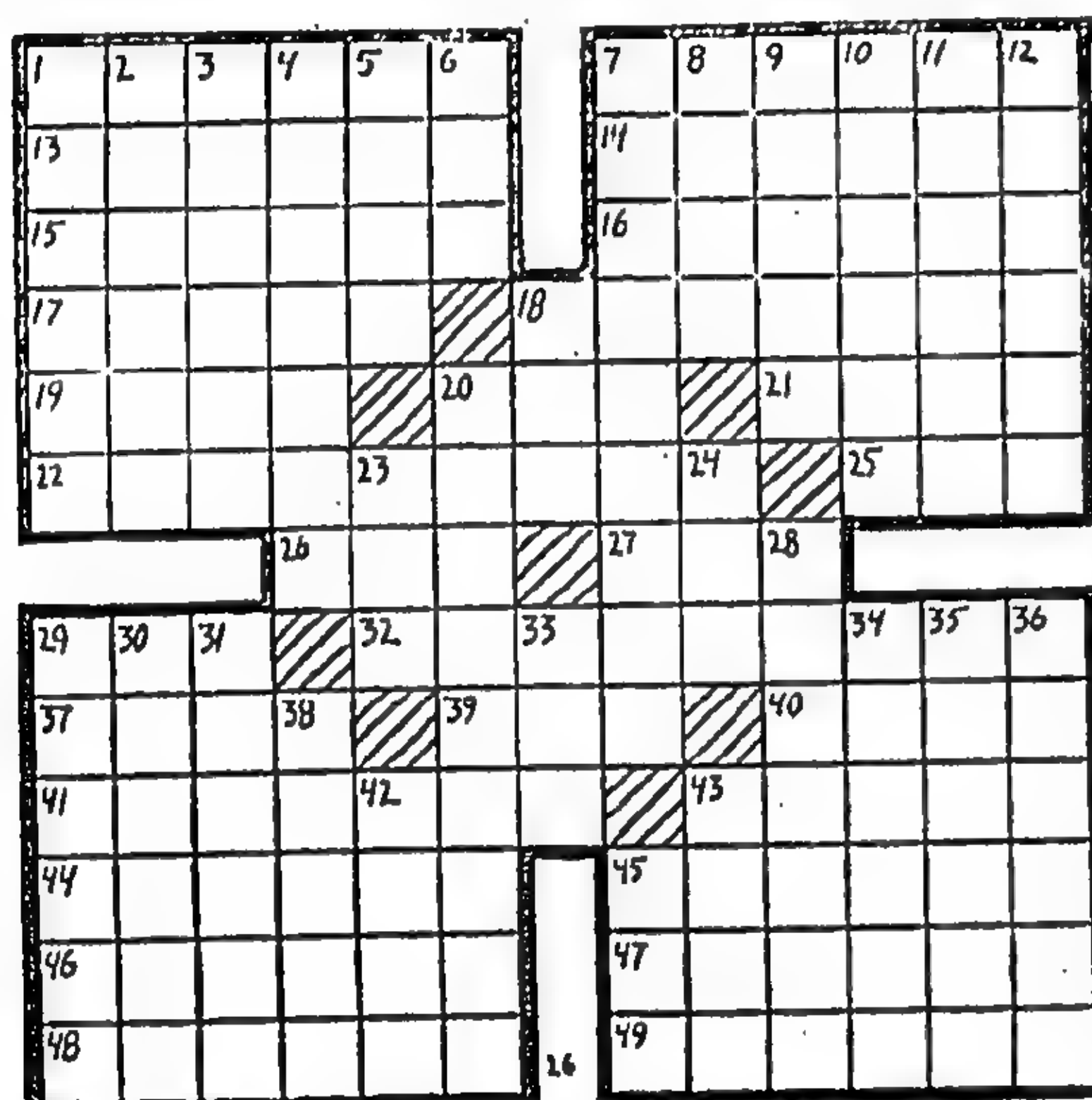
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Grease a ring mould thoroughly, also a paper to cover it. Separate the yolks from 4 eggs. Turn a 1 lb. jar of mincemeat into a basin, and beat in the 4 egg yolks.

Add, by degrees, 3 oz. sifted flour, and 2 tablespoons milk to moisten the mixture.

Whisk the egg whites stiffly, and fold in lightly. Turn the mixture into prepared ring, cover securely with greased paper, and steam gently 1½ hours. Turn out carefully, and serve with whipped and sweetened cream.

Many of us buy our mincemeat from the shops, but if you wish to set something before your guests that is out of the ordinary, try making:

Orange Mincemeat

6 oranges;
2 lemons;
1½ lb. cranberries;
¼ lb. raisins;
2 lb. sugar.

Grate the rind from the oranges and lemons, then cut the pulp into slices, discarding the white membrane and pips. Wash and mince the cranberries. Stone and chop raisins.

Put all the fruit into a large saucepan, and add the sugar. Cook very slowly till thick (1 hour). Pour into jars. This can be used when cold, or cover jars and keep for several weeks.

Make this orange mincemeat into tartlets in the following way:—Make 6 oz. of rich shortcrust. Roll out on floured board, and stamp into rounds with a fluted cutter. Line some pastry tins with these rounds, pressing the pastry thinner in the base of each tin. Line these with buttered paper, and fill with rice or beans.

Put the pastry cases into a hot oven to bake 10 minutes. Remove paper linings, and allow pastry to

Baby's Skin

EVERY baby is born with a fine super-delicate skin that requires very special care if it is to carry its healthy beauty into later years.

Very tiny babies require only very little soap to cleanse the pores, for the skin is so tender and delicate that it is very easily injured and irritated. The soap must be of the very purest quality, and the mother's hands will form a more intelligent facecloth than the finest linen.

Baby should be washed by lathering him all over with the hands and then rinsing and drying him as quickly as possible. "All over" does not include his face, only the head and scalp. The face is washed just in plain warm water and then gently patted dry. Baby should always be dried very thoroughly and gently by putting with a fine towel.

The bath should be given in the morning to very small babies, and after three months they rest better if it is given at night. After the evening bath an oil rub is most beneficial and relaxing, and keeps the skin in perfect condition—and it is fattening as well. Use warm oil—either olive or sweet almond oil. Massage very gently and thoroughly into the baby's skin and then dust with the finest baby powder procurable.

Every mother learns the care of baby's eyes, nose, ears, and mouth before the nurse leaves. She should learn, too, the attention that should be given to her own fingernails and hands before touching baby. His nails, also, must have their simple manicure—both too and fingernails.

Then his scalp must come in for its share of attention. It must be kept clean with pure soap and cool, boiled water and oiled frequently.

When the child grows older and begins to run about, even more constant attention to cleanliness and prevention of infection is necessary.

Finish off cooking. When they are cold, fill each tart with mincemeat, and decorate with whipped cream.

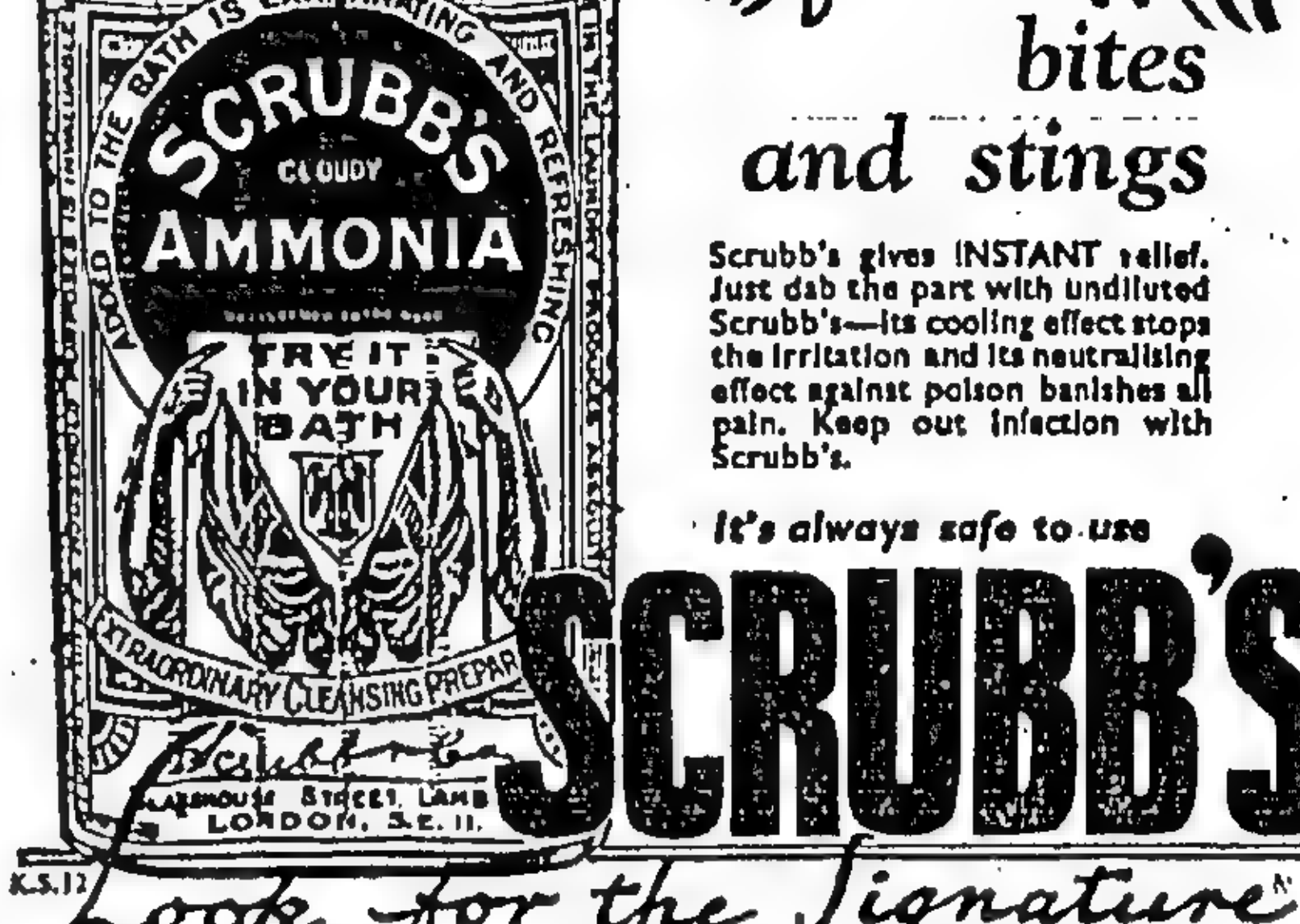
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Local New Year Celebrations



Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Way, Mrs. W. Marsh and friends at the Gloucester Hotel on New Year's Eve.—Ming Yuen.



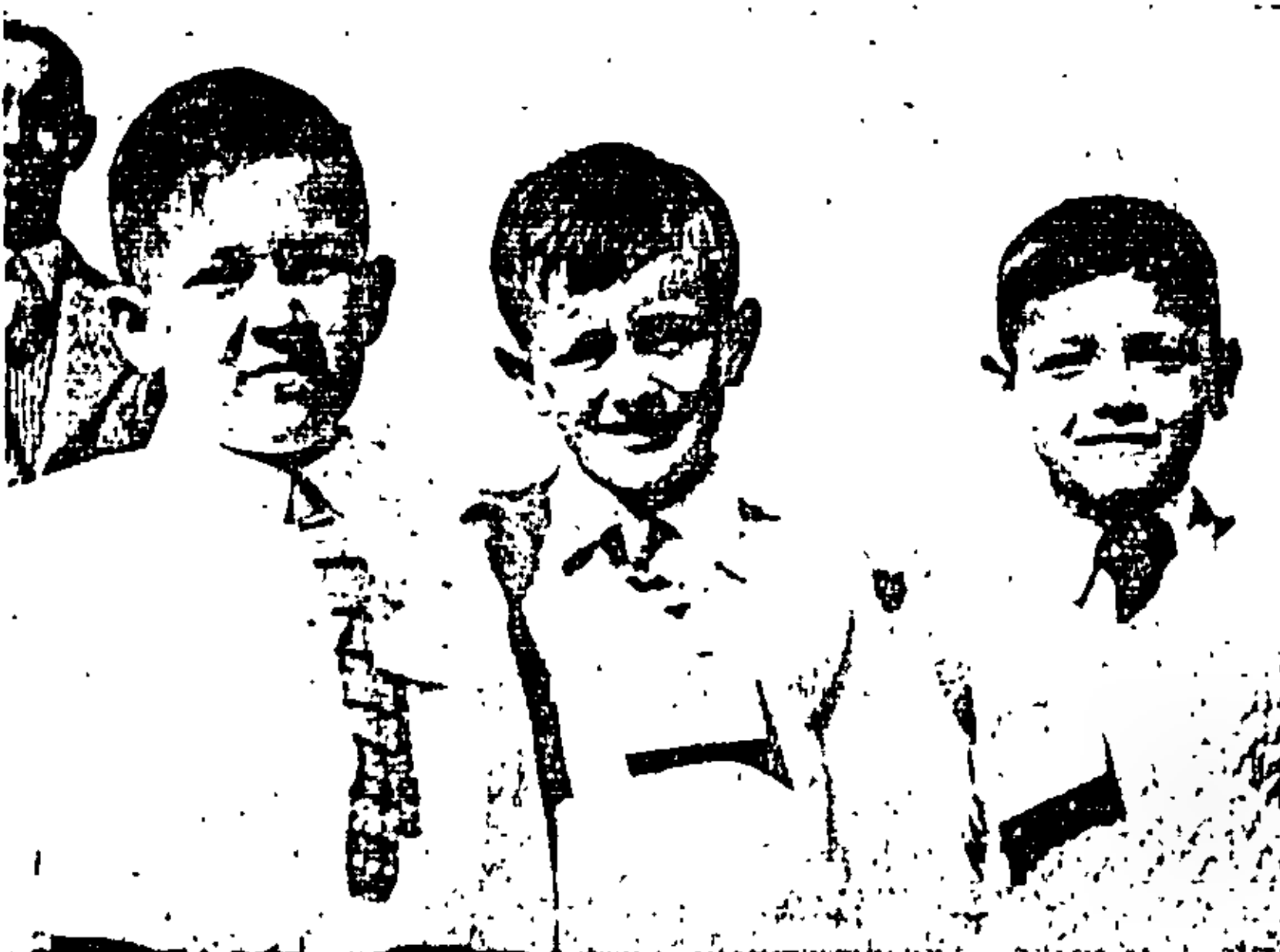
Mr. and Mrs. A. MacFarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Howell, Mr. S. M. White and Mrs. Rose with party at the Gloucester Hotel.—Ming Yuen.



A close-up of the clown, Mr. W. Ward, addressing the children on their sports day at the Police Recreation Club on Monday.—Pictorial News.



A happy party, including Commander R. R. Hebert and Dr. J. M. Gray, at the Gloucester Hotel.—Ming Yuen.



Masters Tommy Lo, Telford Fergusson and Albert O'Dell, winners of the Flat Race under 11, at the Children's Annual Sports at the K.C.C. on New Year's Day.—A. A. Kahn.



Rosa-Marie Sweet, one of the kiddies who attended the Children's Sports at the K.C.C. on New Year's Day.—A. A. Kahn.



Mrs. Peacy and the Misses Doris and Elsie Hunt are seen talking on the Police Recreation Club ground during the annual entertainment for the children.—Pictorial News.

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FAILURE TO STOP Ignorance of Police Signal Alleged

The request that publicity be given to the international police signal meaning "Stop" was made by Mr. F. H. Loseby in the Marine Court yesterday on behalf of Kwok Lo, a licensed coxswain, who was accused of failure to stop when signalled.

It was alleged that on December 27, the international code signal "K", meaning "Stop" was given to Kwok Lo on the siren of a Police launch, but he failed to obey the signal.

Mr. Loseby contended that this signal—long, short, long—was so new that it was not sufficiently well known and should be given publicity in the Press. He said that his client did not know what it meant.

The Harbour Master, Commander C. F. Hole, who presided, said that Kwok, as a licensed coxswain, should have known the meaning of the signal. He imposed a fine of \$3; in default, three days' imprisonment.

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The majority of bombs dropped were of a small size, unsuitable for attacking buildings or shipping. Owing to an interval of eight minutes between the alarm and the fall of the first bombs, the casualties were only 44 dead, 66 seriously injured and 25 slightly injured.—Reuter.

"ON TO PARIS, MOSCOW" ITALIAN SLOGANS

Burgos, Jan. 5. Italian troops, supported by sixty tanks led the vanguard of the insurgent attack on the Sagre front. On the tanks was chalked "Barce-lona, then Paris and Moscow." The nearest many of the tanks got to their objectives was in the bon of the Sagre, where they were abandoned.—United Press.

23,884 PRISONERS

Burgos, Jan. 5. It is officially announced that during the present insurgent advance in Catalonia, up to the 15th day of the offensive, 23,884 loyalist soldiers had been taken prisoners by the insurgents.—Trans-Ocean.

BORJAS BLANCAS FALLS

London, Jan. 5. The insurgents occupied Borjas Blancas this morning. The loyalists are reported to have launched a surprise attack in the Valsequillo sector, south-west of Madrid, according to the Spanish Press Agency. Insurgent losses are described as heavy, while many prisoners are claimed to have been captured. Fierce fighting is stated to be proceeding.—Reuter.

INSURGENT CHARGES AGAINST BRITONS

London, Jan. 5. Viscount Halifax has ordered an enquiry into all the circumstances connected with the charges made by the Spanish insurgent authorities of the "improper conduct by British officials, employees, and others at St. Jean De Luz, San Sebastian and Burgos."

The enquiry will be conducted by Mr. O'Malley, the British Charge d'Affaires at St. Jean De Cruz, Mr. Jerram, the acting British Agent at Burgos, and Sir Wasey Sterry. Mr. Jerram has been instructed to press for immediate production of the charges and the evidence, and also for immediate access to it.—Reuter.

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En route to Bizerta from Gabes, M. Daladier visited the Roman Colosseum in El Djem, which is the largest of the Roman ruins in Africa. He also stopped at Sousse, where several companies of Senegalese troops were reviewed. He was greeted by loud cries of "Vive Daladier" as he presented a new flag to the artillery regiment stationed at Sousse. At Bizerta he took leave of the Resident-General of Tunisia, M. Eric Labonne, and began his journey to Algiers.—Trans-Ocean.

ITALIANS' RESOLUTION

Rome, Jan. 5. It is announced that representatives of all Italian associations in Tunis adopted a anti-French resolution which has been handed to the Italian Consul-General with a re-

QUAKERS COMING TO FAR EAST

Centro To Be Opened In Shanghai

LONDON, Jan. 5. MR. H. T. SILCOCK, director and adviser to Chinese students at the Universities China Committee in London, and secretary to the China Society, accompanied by Dr. Herbert Hodgkin, son of the famous Dr. Henry Hodgkin, left Liverpool to-day by the Britannic for New York.

They will spend ten days in Philadelphia, and Chicago, and will depart from Vancouver by the Empress of Russia on January 21 for the Far East.

They will stay a few days in Yokohama, contacting Japanese friends, and will arrive in Shanghai about the middle of February, where they hope to bring about the formation of a Quaker centre at the beginning of March.

The Foreign Y.M.C.A., in Bubbling Well Road has kindly provided a room for their use.

Mr. Silcock and Dr. Hodgkin will keep in very close touch with local Quakers, on whose advice they will depend in planning the practical work.

While the hope of working for better feeling between the Chinese and Japanese is always an important objective, London Quakers emphasise that nothing can be done which is in any way susceptible to political activity, from which it is the Quakers' fundamental rule, always to abstain.

Before leaving London, Mr. Silcock and Dr. Hodgkin interviewed Mr. Quo Tai-shih and Mr. Sigenitsu, the Chinese and Japanese Ambassadors respectively, and both expressed deep interest in the venture, and wished them good fortune.—Reuter.

G.O.C. For Shanghai

The General Officer Commanding the British Troops, China, Major General A. E. Grassett, leaves Hongkong this morning for the north to inspect his troops.

His Excellency boarded the Rajputana with his ADC, Lieut. St. John, for the first stage of his inspection which will take in Shanghai. Later he will go to Tientsin. Maj. Gen. Grassett will return to the Colony at the end of January.

Arabs Killed In Pitched Battle

Jerusalem, Jan. 5. Two Arabs were killed and six seriously wounded during a clash between British mounted troops and Arab irregulars on Wednesday.

Five of the wounded, and seven other Arabs were taken prisoners. The British troops are reported to have suffered no casualties.—Trans-Ocean.

CHIEF STOKER DIES

Chief Stoker, Sidney John Fackley of H.M.S. Rorqual, and a native of Middlesex, died early this morning in the Naval Hospital. He will be buried at Happy Valley at 4 p.m. to-day.

quest for its transmission to the French Foreign Ministry.

The resolution stresses the "intangibility of the incontestable rights which are guaranteed by treaties, and by a 1,000 year-old tradition," and goes on to express "indignation caused by the continual acts of provocation and violence to which the Italian population is exposed," as well as "anger at the incredible insults offered to the Italian flag."

The resolution concludes affirming the "indestructible loyalty" of Italians in Tunis to King Victor Emmanuel and Signor Mussolini.—Trans-Ocean.

U.S. BUDGET A RECORD

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Moreover a dozen governmental financial organizations, like the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and the Export and Import Bank, should be reported in the budget as an annual appraisal of their assets and liability, and to show losses or gains.

President Roosevelt urged prompt approval for the appropriation of \$875,000,000 to defray the expenses of relief for 2,700,000 men up to June 30, and thus swell the deficit for the current fiscal year to \$4,097,000,000.

The request is expected to lead to a legislative struggle, the Conservatives asserting that \$500,000,000 is sufficient.

In the course of his budget message to-day, President Roosevelt recommended that the naval construction funds be increased by \$115,000,000 to \$270,000,000.

The increase provides for a start to be made on the building of two battleships in 1940, and expansion of the naval air force by 93 planes towards the authorized goal of 3,000 planes.

Naval personnel will be increased by 5,500 to 113,000.

National defence will require \$1,320,000,000, which is an increase of \$300,000,000 over 1938.

President Roosevelt, in his message, expressed the opinion that a large part of the additional national defence expenditure should be put in a special category on a temporary basis. He emphasized the permanent benefit of much of the administration's expenditure.

Dealing with the extensive work of relief and other related expenditures, the President gave an assurance that the programme would not be curtailed arbitrarily or violently.

In view of the enlarged defence programme and agricultural pay-

ments, he advocated the consideration of a moderate increase in taxation.—Reuter and United Press.

DEFENCE VOTES

The budget contains \$607,498,000 regular appropriation for the Navy, \$442,059,000 for the Army, \$40,774,000 for the War Department's non-military purposes, and \$10,524,000 for the maintenance and operation of the Panama Canal.

Meanwhile Congress is requested practically to double the 1939 appropriation for the Maritime Commission. In 1940 it is estimated that the Commission will call for \$80,500,000 chiefly for the purposes of rushing the construction of new merchant ships, which are important to national defence.

The budget also included an estimated extra \$1,036,370 to finance the new anti-espionage campaign. President Roosevelt specifically asked for an increase in military and navy intelligence appropriations, and in addition Treasury officials estimated that \$160,000 would be available for intensified anti-spy activities by the Navy, Justice and Treasury departments.—United Press.

PREMIER REJOICES AT U.S. SPEECH

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budget as one of its most important aspects.

The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" professes astonishment that a nation which stands secure and untroubled on its continent, should be deliberately led into an adventure by the head of the State. The paper assumes that President Roosevelt's motive can only be based on the necessity of distracting public attention from internal failures.

Similar reasoning is advanced by the "Deutsche Diplomatische Korrespondenz," which points out that America has not solved her problem of unemployment, and that as a result of multiple failures, the New Deal has met with a considerable amount of opposition. Mention is also made of President Roosevelt's inference that America must strengthen her position at home and abroad, and must arm in order to protect her country and her ideals. This, declares the paper, is sufficient justification for a re-armament programme, which will not only reduce unemployment, but will also serve hegemonic aims, but one can scarcely assert that such aims and methods are in keeping with the European idea of peaceful intentions.—Trans-Ocean.

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Delphinus Due
At 4 O'clock

The Imperial Airways plane Delphinus is expected at Kai Tak at 4 p.m. to-day with mails, mostly from the United Kingdom. Another plane is due on Sunday with Australian and more U.K. mails.

The Delta hopped off at dawn to-day for Bangkok with 500 kilos of mail and two passengers, Mr. R. Ross, of the Union Insurance Company, for London and a Chinese for Bangkok.

Danish Nazis Will
Be Suppressed

Copenhagen, Jan. 5. It is rumoured in political circles that the Danish Nazi Party is likely to be prohibited by the Government on the grounds of "unpatriotic action."

It is also said that there are among the police force, members of the party who give information to the Nazis about secret State documents.—Reuter.

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THE ZBW BROADCASTING COMMITTEE is agreeably surprised at the large number of requests received from listeners for the special "Request Programmes" this week.

ZBW will open its "Request Programme" at 9.50 p.m. to-night and will hold a similar programme to-morrow evening. Such a flood of requests were received that the Committee has decided to have two extra "Request Programmes" next week—on Wednesday and Saturday evenings. The first programme will include many various types of music but on Saturday it has been decided to broadcast only light variety music as requested.

JAPAN TO REJECT U.S. NOTE ON CHINA

Bitter Comment By
Tokyo Newspapers

TOKYO, Jan. 6.

CHARACTERISING IT as "reactionary," the "Miyako Shimbun," popular Japanese daily newspaper here, declares that the American Government's counter-communication to Japan's reply of October 18 to the American protest regarding the Open Door and Equal Opportunity in China fails to show any indication that the Washington authorities are endeavouring to understand properly "the actual situation on the spot."

Any joint action by Great Britain and America will, the paper declares, not be able to affect Japan's policies for the establishment of a new order in East Asia.

For this policy, the Japanese nation is running the risk of endangering the foundation of its existence.

The paper urges the necessity of eradicating the antiquated treaties which are hampering the development of culture in East Asia.

The latest American note was presented to the Japanese Foreign Office on December 31.

The Foreign Office is preparing another reply to America, the paper reveals.

"In the reply, the Japanese Government will point out that non-recognition on the part of America of the actual situation in East Asia will be of no avail.

The "Yomiuri Shimbun," another influential daily newspaper, declares that irrespective of the American attitude Japan will firmly push ahead with the policies for constructing an economic bloc between Japan, China and Manchukuo.—Domei.

BAG SNATCHER ROBS LADY

Mrs. R. H. Rule, of 184 Nathan Road, had her handbag snatched from her while walking along Nathan Road yesterday. The bag and contents were valued at \$42.

UNIVERSITY THEFT

An overcoat valued at \$20 was lost by Mr. S. V. Boxer at the Hongkong University yesterday.

SITUATION "SERIOUS"

Japanese Naval Spokesman on China

Tokyo, Jan. 6.

A spokesman of the Admiralty admitted today that the situation arising from the Chinese incident had become serious.

He stressed the necessity of continuing the prosecution of the emergency campaign.

The naval spokesman urged the new Cabinet to carry out effective policies for the purpose of lifting the nation over the critical situation.

Japan's naval policy is to maintain the security of the nation and the safety of the sea lanes.

THE HOPE OF EARNING a living in China by their trade has brought two aviators from New Zealand to the East.

One of them bears on his right shoulder the mark of a Spanish Insurgent bullet, intercepted during a "dog fight" in Spain early in the Spanish war.

The two aviators are E. N. Griffiths and L. A. Willcombe. They arrived from Australia by the Taiping to-day.

It is Mr. Griffiths who has seen fighting in Spain.

He arrived in Spain 10 days after the outbreak of war and enlisted with a unit of fighters in Madrid.

In the next eight months he had fighting in plenty, his official tally of insurgent planes brought down being four.

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Rome Press Stung
By Tunis Incident

ROME, Jan. 5.

GREAT PROMINENCE is given in the press to the alleged insult to the Italian flag in Tunis on Tuesday.

The "Stampa" describes the incident as criminal, and says that the French carried out acts of aggression in a country which was not juridically under their sovereignty.

The paper adds: "Accounts grow long, but they will be paid down to the last penny according to the demands of justice."

Following the settlement of 20,000 Italian colonists in Libya last year, it is planned to despatch a further 20,000 this year according to the "Giornale d'Italia," which reports that a meeting of high Fascist officials outlined a colonisation programme for 1939 providing for the building of five new villages, six hamlets, and 2,000 farms to be colonised from Italy.—Reuter Special.

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N. Zealand Baby Becomes World's Youngest Flyer

AUCKLAND, N.Z., Jan. 5.

A NEW ZEALAND BABY has just gained the distinction of being the world's youngest air traveller.

Baby Connell was born at Great Barrier Island, off the north of New Zealand, at 4 a.m. yesterday.

She was premature, and fears were entertained that she would not live unless she received medical attention.

A radio S.O.S. was sent to Auckland, from where a plane was immediately despatched to the isolated spot.

With her mother, Baby Connell, only a few hours old, was brought to Auckland.

She is now in the Katane Hospital, where she is sleeping happily in a controlled-temperature cot.



KING FAROUK

Egyptian Royalty To Visit U.K.

LONDON, Jan. 5.

PREPARATIONS FOR a forthcoming visit to England by King Farouk of Egypt have begun in London, according to the "Evening Standard."

The King, who will be accompanied by beautiful Queen Farida, will arrive in England at the beginning of the summer. The Royal couple will also stop in Paris.

Both the King and Queen are well acquainted with England, King Farouk having spent six months there before the death of his father, and Queen Farida having attended school there.

The forthcoming visit will be distinctly political in character, and its aim is said to be to strengthen Anglo-Egyptian bonds of friendship.—Trans-Ocean.

DOG OWNED BY NUN BITES GIRL

Chan Yuen, 14-year-old girl at the Maryknoll Convent School, was bitten on the leg by a dog belonging to one of the nuns yesterday.

She was sent to the Kowloon Hospital for treatment, while the dog was sent to Mataluk for observation.

MOTORISTS IN COURT

Europeans Fined for Minor Breaches

EUROPEANS FIGURED in Traffic Court proceedings this morning, when fines were imposed for offences ranging from speeding to leaving cars unattended.

J. M. Watkin, of H.M.S. Grampus, was fined \$10 for driving at 30 miles an hour in the controlled area in Queen's Road East. Sergeant claimed that the driver neglected to overtake a bus.

Two officers of the Kowloon Police were fined for leaving their cars unattended in Salisbury Road, while L. G. B. Beer was fined \$3 for failing to have his headlights on whilst travelling at night in Salisbury Road.

Mrs. N. H. Schmitt was also fined for leaving her car unattended in Salisbury Road.

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UNIQUE ACTION: LAWYERS FINED

Permitted Brothel In
Building

MESSRS. M. H. TURNER and H. J. Armstrong, of Deacons, were each fined \$25 at the Central Magistracy this morning for having unlawfully permitted a building to be used as a brothel, after notice had been served upon them of the fact that the occupier of the premises had been convicted of keeping a brothel.

Defendants were trustees of the premises, which are portion of the Paul Chater estate.

"Defendants had reasonable means of knowing that the premises were being kept as a brothel, but failed to make use of that means," the Magistrate, Mr. R. A. D. Forrest said, in inflicting the fines.

The two solicitors were summoned for having unlawfully permitted the first floor of No. 2 Swatow Lane to be used as a brothel, within three months after a notice had been served upon them of the fact that the occupier of the premises had been convicted of keeping a brothel there.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay was present for defendants, while Mr. J. B. Prentiss, Assistant Crown Solicitor, and Inspector E. G. Post, were present for the prosecution.

THE JUDGMENT

In inflicting the fines, the magistrate said:

"At the outset of the hearing, Counsel for the defence took exception to the form of the summons, on the grounds that it disclosed no offence under the Ordinance."

"The objection was noted but overruled, in accordance with sec. 21 of the Magistrates Ordinance, it being held that from the quotation of the section of the Ordinance in the margin together with the verbal explanation given in Court, no reasonable person could be in doubt as to the nature of the offence charged; though I readily agreed that the summons was by no means the best possible expression of what it was intended to convey."

"Witnesses for the prosecution were not cross examined, and I regard the facts deposed to by them to be proved, viz., in brief, the several convictions of various persons for keeping brothels on the floor in question, and the service on defendants on various dates of notices under sec. 13 of the Ordinance."

At this point Counsel for the defence entered another objection, on the ground that, there being no privity of contract between defendants (Continued on Page 12.)

ISOLATIONISTS RALLY AGAINST U.S. "MEDDLING"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.

SENATOR ROBERT REYNOLDS, a member of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee to-day branded any attempt to use economic power against Japan in the Far East, as being "totally inconsistent" with the United States' good-neighbour policy.

Any attempt to punish aggressor nations with economic and financial sanctions would, he said, involve the United States in possible wars with Italy, Germany, and Japan.

"Strictly speaking, it might also involve the United States in warfare with Soviet Russia, since Russia is an aggressor nation, seeking to expand its political philosophy throughout the world," he declared.

"Japan, seeking to establish an inviolable empire in the Far East, is similar, in many respects, to the western hemisphere area of democracy."

"To me, as an impartial observer, it seems that Japan has equal rights to seek to establish a sphere of influence as the United States."

The Senator added that Roosevelt's intention to move against aggressor nations, in whatever section of the world, was against fundamental American policy.

Referring to the Far East he said: "When I read China \$25,000,000 to carry on the conflict with Japan, and then give notice to the world that we will fight to defend our hemisphere against non-American influences, that's blowing hot with one breath, and cold with the other. We have got to be more consistent."—United Press.

Widow Asks \$2,000,000 'Heart Balm'

CHICAGO, Jan. 5.

MR. HAROLD F. MCCORMICK, sixty-six-year old agricultural machine magnate, has filed a defence in a US\$2,000,000 breach of promise suit filed against him in Chicago by Mrs. Olive Randolph Colby, of Kansas City.

McCormick denies that he promised to marry Mrs. Colby, who is fifty-one years old.

Mrs. Colby is described by her lawyer as the widow of "the man who taught John D. Rockefeller to play golf."

This is the second "heart-balm" action to be brought against Mr. McCormick within five years.

PLUNGE U.S. INTO WAR

Washington, Jan. 5.

The majority of congressional leaders are concentrating on proposals for broad changes in the existing laws, pending specific recommendations by President Roosevelt regarding domestic legislation and foreign policy, including national defence and neutrality.

In the meantime, the Republican opposition is lining up with Conservative-Democrats and the Isolationists for a fight against extensive re-armament, or any marked revision in the United States foreign policy claiming that President Roosevelt's attitude will eventually plunge the United States into conflict.

The Isolationists are charging that the President intends to appoint the United States as "world policeman," and declare that such a policy will eventually plunge the country into war.

The leader of the economy bloc is protesting against continuation of large-scale spending, and is preparing a challenge to the anticipated budget recommendations.

Senator Key Pittman is leading the Administration's campaign to obtain congressional support for re-armament.—United Press.

DANGEROUS WEAKNESS

London, Jan. 6.

"It would be rash to rely on Time to accomplish Japan's defeat, for she is now managing the war with remarkable economy, and she may soon benefit from her control of China's natural resources," states the "Manchester Guardian" in a leader to-day.

"On the other hand," continues the paper, "her absolute dependence on her export trade, now that her gold reserves have been depleted, is a dangerous weakness, and one well-known to President Roosevelt's advisers."—Reuter.

ZBW Band Out Of Action

Musicians Suddenly
Taken Ill

LOCAL MUSICIANS are on the sick list this week.

Owing to the indisposition of two musicians, the Z.B.W. Orchestra cancelled their programme last night. The orchestra was unable to continue without the services of the flute and clarinet players.

It is hoped, however, that the musicians will recover in time to have an extra performance before their usual weekly programme.

The Hongkong Chamber Music Club have also temporarily lost one of their musicians owing to illness. He is Mr. Tonoff, who was to have played the violin parts at the Club's concert in the Chinese Library of the University, Bonham Road, next Sunday at 8.15 p.m.

However, Miss Prue Lewis has volunteered to take his place and the concert will, fortunately, still be held.

Others who will take part in the concert include Mr. J. J. (cello), Mr. J. J. (violin), and Mr. J. J. (piano).—Domei.

Martial Law In Burma

Shanghai, Jan. 6.

A telegram from Rangoon says that the Governor of Burma, Sir Archibald D. Cochran, on Thursday declared martial law throughout Burma. The measure fails to indicate reasons for the emergency measure.

It is further reported that under the urgent measures, the police are authorized to commandeer vehicles for transport of troops.—Domei.

Oysters Flown 4,735 Miles

Sydney, Australia.

Singapore now can enjoy Australian oysters, famed for their delicate texture and fine flavour. After two months of experimenting, it has been found they can be shipped by airplane over the distance of 4,735 miles, from Sydney to Singapore.

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BRITISH ARMY GARRISON FOR PENANG

WAR IN SPAIN

"Murder" Charge By British Commission

LONDON, Jan. 5. "ALL EVIDENCE in our possession indicates that the bombing of Barcelona on New Year's Eve was a deliberate attack on human life, with bombs designed for that purpose," declares the report of the British Commission for the investigation of air bombardments in Spain, issued by the Foreign Office to-day.

The report adds that the attack was made at a moment when the streets might have been expected to be more than usually crowded in that part of the city where the civilians deemed themselves immune.

The majority of bombs dropped were of a small size, unsuitable for attacking buildings or shipping.

Owing to an interval of eight minutes between the alarm and the fall of the first bombs, the casualties were only 44 dead, 88 seriously injured, and 25 slightly injured.

Reuter.

"ON TO PARIS, MOSCOW"

ITALIAN SLOGANS

Barcelona, Jan. 5.

Italian troops, supported by sixty tanks led the vanguard of the insurgent attack on the Sagre front.

On the tanks was chalked "Barcelona, then Paris and Moscow."

The nearest many of the tanks got to their objectives was in the bog of the Sagre, where they were abandoned.

United Press.

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U.S. BUDGET A RECORD \$3,320 Million Deficit Is Forecast

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S budget for the fiscal year of 1940 shows estimated expenditure at U.S.\$8,995,663,000, and receipts at U.S.\$5,669,320,000, with a result there is a prospective deficit of U.S.\$3,320,343,000.

The estimated receipts are \$326,000,000 higher than those of the current fiscal year, on account of a prospective improvement in the general business of the nation.

The President explained that the expenditure included \$2,200,000,000 for recovery and relief.

The estimated total public debt in the 1940 fiscal year will aggregate \$40,458,000,000, which is a new all-time record.

President Roosevelt declared that some "self-liquidating" projects like the Boulder Dam, which cost \$120,000,000, and the cost of which was repayable to the Government in 50 years, "should occupy a separate category" in the budget.

Moreover, a dozen governmental financial organizations, like the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and the Export and Import Bank,

should be reported in the budget as an annual appraiser of their assets and liability, and to show losses or gains.

President Roosevelt urged prompt approval for the appropriation of \$875,000,000 to defray the expenses of relief for 2,700,000 men up to June 30, and thus swell the deficit for the current fiscal year to \$4,097,000,000.

The request is expected to lead to a legislative struggle, the Conservatives asserting that \$500,000,000 is sufficient.

In the course of his budget message to-day, President Roosevelt recommended that the naval construction funds be increased by \$115,000,000 to \$270,000,000.

The increase provides for a start to be made on the building of two battleships in 1940, and expansion of the naval air force by 93 planes

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Far East Defences FIRST STEP IN PLAN FOR PACIFIC SET-UP

SINGAPORE, Jan. 5.

THE FIRST STEP in Great Britain's plan, announced last month, for strengthening Empire defences in the Far East was announced in Singapore to-day by the General Officer Commanding the British Forces in Malaya, Major General Dobbie.

The G.O.C. officially revealed to-day that it was intended to station a garrison at Penang.

The number of troops comprising the garrison has not been revealed.

Penang is regarded as the back door to the great Singapore Naval Base where, it is understood, a new Pacific Squadron will be stationed in the near future.

This Squadron, which will be in addition to the existing Far Eastern Squadron stationed at Hongkong, will probably include at least one or two battleships and an aircraft carrier.

It was announced some time ago, before the outbreak of hostilities between China and Japan, that the existing garrison of troops at Hongkong was also to be increased to six battalions.

This increase will probably take place as soon as the new cantonment in Kowloon is completed. Plans, which will cost \$20,000,000, for this cantonment have already been prepared.—United Press.

Great R.A.F. Reserve To Be Built Up

LONDON, Jan. 5.

PROLONGATION of the short-term service in the British air force from four to six years, will, according to the "Evening Standard" shortly be enacted.

The paper says that the Air Ministry had urgently recommended such a measure, to which the Treasury is not averse.

Instead of the £300 which every pilot now received after completing four years of active service, and on commencing six years in the reserve force, pilots will in future, under the new scheme be paid £500 after six years active service.

The report does not indicate whether the period of six years service in the reserve force will be retained, or if it will also be prolonged.

The paper stresses that the recruiting campaign for the air force in 1939 will be of unprecedented dimensions, notably among the students at public and grammar schools who have hitherto furnished the majority of pilots.—Trans-Ocean.

TREASURY ENDS GOLD SPECULATION

LONDON, Jan. 5.

IN CONNECTION with the recent heavy speculation in sterling, "Reuter" learns from reliable sources that all banks and bullion firms have been asked by the Treasury to refrain from aiding speculation against sterling, either by means of loans against gold, speculation in gold, or in foreign exchange.

It is further understood that all banks operating in the countries adhering to the tripartite agreement, have received a similar request.

WALL STREET SURPRISED

New York, Jan. 5.

News from London of the imposition of an embargo on forward dealings in gold has been received with considerable surprise, and sterling consequently strengthened to 4.04½ dollars on a bear-covering.

Foreign exchange dealers are of the opinion that the action will prevent a further drop in the value of sterling, at least temporarily, although it does not change the outlook for sterling, which many continue to regard pessimistically.

A Washington message says that it is learned at the Treasury that full co-operation is being extended here to the efforts of the British Treasury to check speculation. Details of the steps being taken are withheld, but it is presumed the Treasury is using its banking relations and close supervision of foreign exchange operation by the Stabilization Fund with a view to furthering these efforts.

It is understood here that similar co-operative steps will be followed by Paris and Brussels.—Reuter.

Quaker Urges U.S. To Admit Refugees

Washington, Jan. 5.

Dr. Rufus Jones, the leader of a Quaker delegation on refugees which has just returned from a visit to Germany, urged to-day that large areas in Alsace should be thrown open to refugees.—United Press.

CHIEF STOKER DIES

Chief Stoker Sidney John Fakeley of H.M.S. Roquair, and a native of Middlesex, died early this morning in the Naval Hospital. He will be buried at Happy Valley at 4 p.m. to-day.

FRANCE MOVES

Defence Of Colonies

PARIS, Jan. 5.

FRANCE HAS BUDGETED for a total expenditure of 271,000,000 francs for naval bases in the French Empire, for 1939.

In details the expenditures provided for are: 51,000,000 francs for Bizerta, 8,800,000 francs for Algiers, 852,000 francs for Casablanca, 28,400,000 francs for Dakar, 200,000 francs for Diego Suarez, 20,550,000 francs for Saigon, 2,200,000 francs for Fort de France, and 484,000 francs for Corsica. The last-named expenditure is only for repair work.

Great construction work had been started at Bizerta, providing for expenditure of 24,000,000 francs in 1939 alone, and the total costs would be 45,000,000 for the first section of the building programme, and 10,000,000 francs for the second section.

"Le Jour" publishes a list of ships to be constructed this year, which is as follows: The 35,000-ton battleship Itchenliu, which will be launched in Brest on January 7 at a cost of 1,227,000,000 francs, the Jean Bart which will cost 1,497,000,000 francs, and the Clemenceau and Gasconne, both 35,000-ton ships, which will cost 3,600,000,000 francs.

No less than 100,000,000 francs are appropriated for the construction of high-speed submarines, and the cost of two aircraft-carriers, to be laid down this year, are estimated at 1,600,000,000 francs.

Between seven and ten million francs each are to the account of smaller torpedo boats, provided for in the building programme.—Trans-Ocean.

ANGLO-U.S. PROTESTS

Chungking, Jan. 6.

THE BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL in Shanghai sent a memorandum to the Japanese authorities yesterday, raising opposition to any revision of the tariff in North China as reported.

A protest over the revision is understood to have already been sent by the U.S. Consulate-General in Shanghai a few days ago.—Central News.

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SPECULATION RIFE IN COMING VISIT TO ROME

Italy May Need Loans

LONDON, Jan. 5. EXTENSIVE preparations are being made for the visit to Rome of Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax. There is feverish activity in the Foreign Office, which is in constant communication with both Paris and Rome in order to set the stage for the conversations which are regarded with extraordinary interest by the entire world.

The Foreign Secretary visited Mr. Chamberlain at No. 10 Downing Street this evening for a lengthy conference.

The two Ministers will set out for Rome on Tuesday morning next, travelling by special train, and will arrive on Wednesday, January 11.

The unusually large staff accompanying Mr. Chamberlain has aroused considerable comment, in view of the Premier's habit of usually travelling with only his secretary and one adviser when he makes visits to foreign countries.

It is evident that the statement intended to bring up numerous questions in Rome, and that Mr. Chamberlain is pursuing a definite line, which, however, is not completely clear to the press.

The pessimistic attitude of political and press circles regarding the possible outcome of the trip is held to be favourable to the Government, because even small gains will be welcomed if defeat is generally expected.

ITALO-FRENCH PROBLEM

Prime attention is naturally centred on the Italo-French problem, which, it is believed, can be divided into three topics: the Djibouti railway; control of the Suez Canal, and Tunisia.

Mr. Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax will apparently arrive in Rome with concrete solutions for these questions, since the Italian demands in respect of the Djibouti railway and the Suez Canal are purely business transactions which should offer few difficulties.

Optimistic circles are convinced that Mussolini will make no definite territorial demands in Tunisia, and will be satisfied with a revision of the status of Italians living there.

The Spanish question will naturally play an important role in the conference, but whether other European problems, such as disarmament, the humanising of war, and the emigration of Jews will be discussed, is not known.

London circles state that important financial negotiations may be expected, an Italian request for a loan being mentioned. It is intimated that a deputation from the Italian Caproni aircraft works has been in London endeavouring to obtain a loan, and that several leading English financiers will accompany Mr. Chamberlain to Rome and will participate in the official festivities. However, no confirmation of these reports can be obtained.—Trans-Ocean.

NORMAN-SCHACHT PARLEYS

Finance Wizards To Go To Basle

BERLIN, Jan. 5. MR. MONTAGUE Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, who arrived here to-day, will depart on Friday evening for Basle.

He was present this afternoon at the christening of the grandchild of Dr. Schacht, the Reichsbank President, with whom he is staying during his visit.

It is likely that he and Dr. Schacht will travel by the same train to Basle to attend a meeting of the Bank of International Settlements.

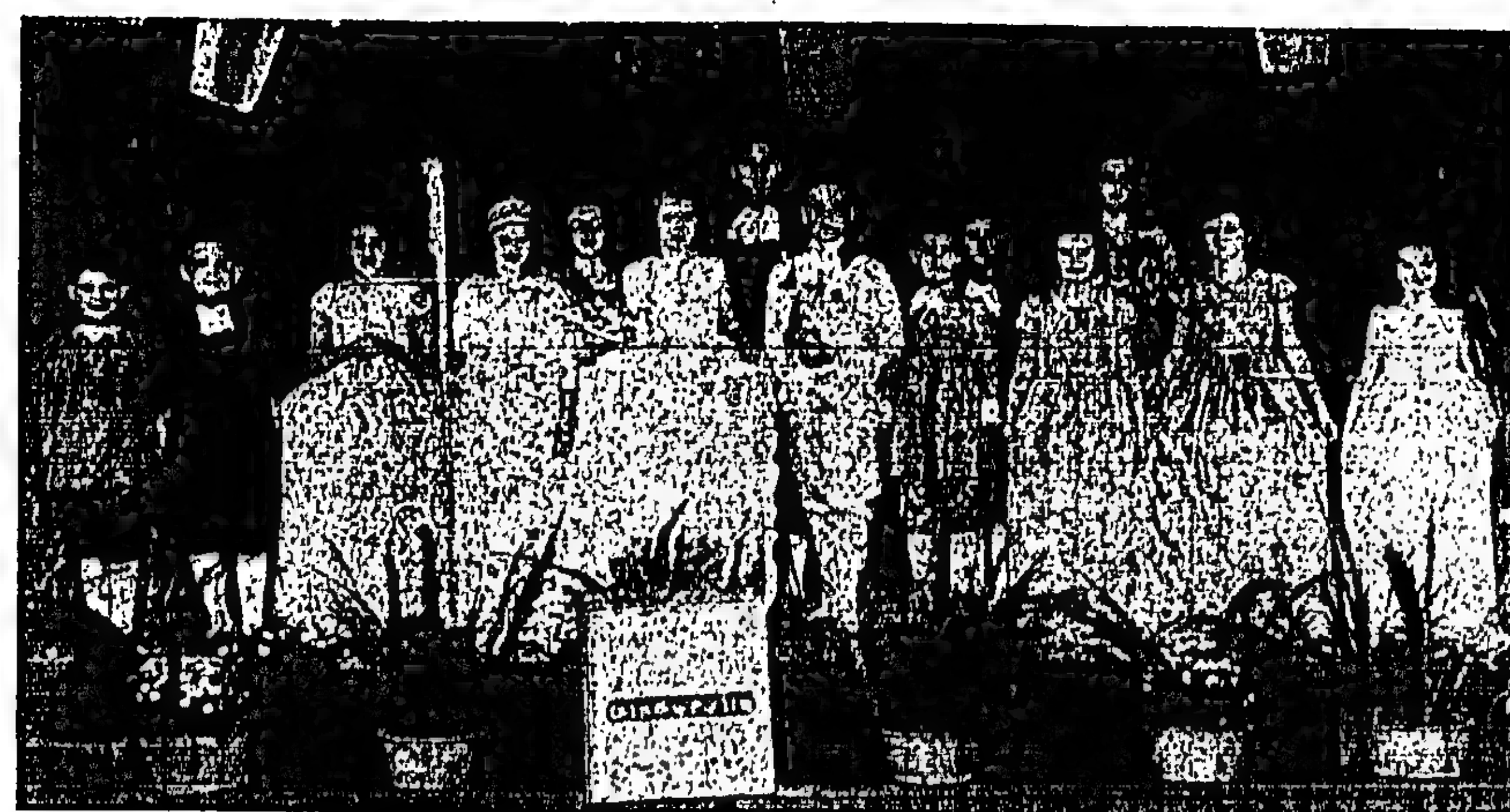
Complete silence over their visit is being maintained in authoritative circles, but from private sources, it is learned that conversations dealing with Anglo-German commercial relations, and the Jewish emigration problem, which began in London, are being continued.

It is regarded as likely that Mr. Montague Norman has informed Dr. Schacht of the attitude of the Evian Committee to his plan for Jewish emigration, which was unofficially discussed in London.—Trans-Ocean.

Stock Market Is Quiet

London, Jan. 5. The London Stock Exchange was generally quiet as a result of end-of-year considerations, though the undertone remained moderately steady, apart from glint-edged securities, which encountered further selling.

Selected Kafir issues were supported, giving the list a fairly good appearance. Commodities generally were firm under the influence of President Roosevelt's message to Congress. Wall Street was irregular.—Reuter Special.



The "Stanley Rebels" who presented the pantomime "Cinderella" at the Prison Officers' Mess recently.—Ming Yuen.

UNEMPLOYED SEND PROTEST TELEGRAM TO KING

Lord Strabolgi In Australia

SYDNEY, Jan. 5. LORD Strabolgi, the Labour leader in the House of Peers, arrived in Sydney to-day.

In an interview, Lord Strabolgi urged that Australian defence measures should be pushed with all possible haste. The Labour Peer urged the Australian Ministry to concentrate more on naval power, even subordinating aerial defence to naval defence.

Want To Talk With Sir John Anderson

LONDON, Jan. 5. THE Union of British Unemployed has telegraphed to the King requesting him to give instructions for the immediate recall of Sir John Anderson from Switzerland, where the Minister is now taking his holidays.

The telegram goes on to observe that Sir John should be required to take, without delay, such measures for the organising of air raid precautions as would give employment to a large number of unemployed.

In a public declaration issued at the same time, the Union expresses indignation that the Minister for Civil Defence should be away on holiday at a time when the representatives of many thousands who are doing winter jobs would like to discuss with him the question of the extent to which workless men could be employed in the construction of the proposed air raid shelters.

The declaration points out that in building bomb-proof shelters, both skilled and unskilled labour could be utilised.

Meanwhile, negotiations regarding granting of extra winter relief between the Ministry of Labour and representatives of the unemployed have not led to any result.—Trans-Ocean.

Democrats Nominate Supreme Court Judge

Washington, Jan. 5. Professor Felix Frankfurter, of the Harvard Law School, has been named an associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court by President Roosevelt, in succession to Judge Cardozo who died last July.

Professor Frankfurter, who is of Australian-Jewish descent, is an outspoken champion of Liberalism, and is highly sympathetic with the New Deal objectives.

His nomination is likely to lead to a struggle in the Senate when it comes up for confirmation.—Reuter.

ST. GEORGE'S BALL

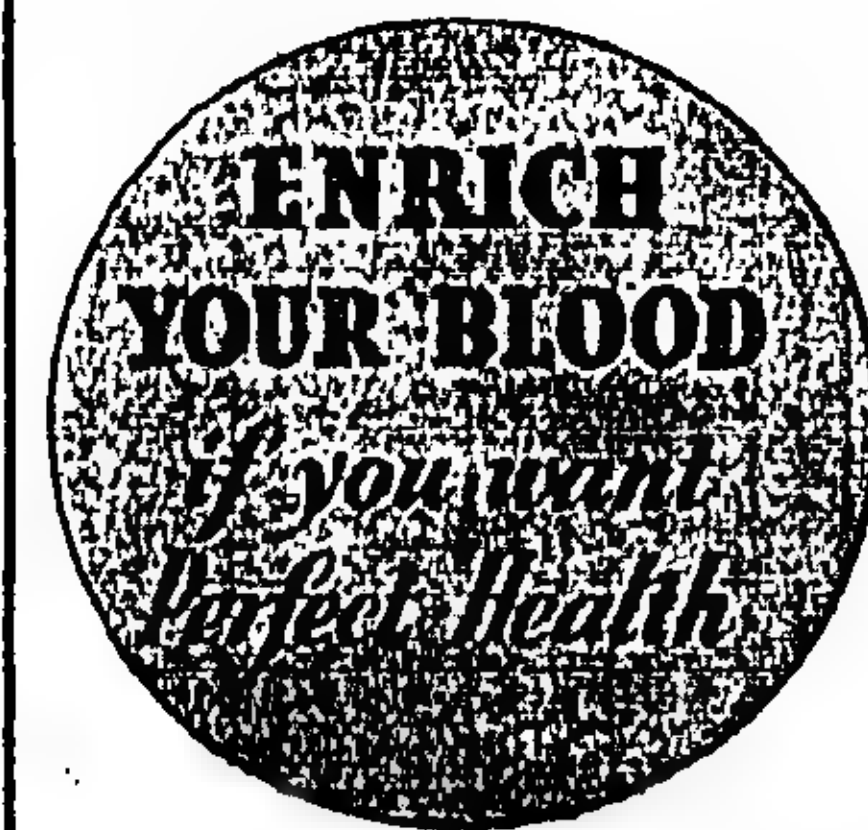
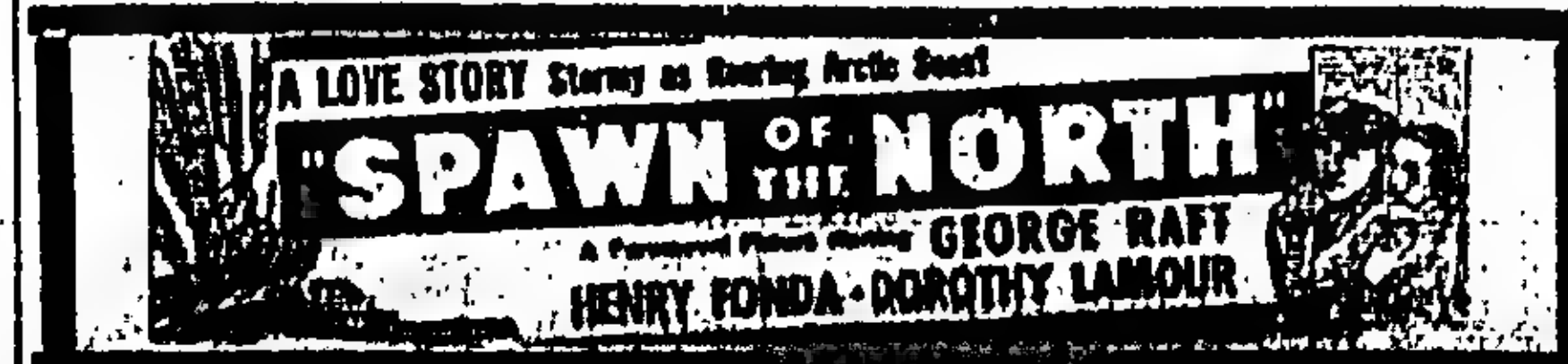
The Annual Ball of the Society of St. George, Hongkong, will be held at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, January 20.

Crisis In Britain's New Political Party

LONDON, Jan. 5. THERE are signs that the new political group founded on Wednesday in London is already undergoing its first crisis.

According to the political writer of the "Evening News," the Conservative military writer, Mr. Liddell Hart, and Lady Bonham-Carter have left the group, while the Liberal M.P., Mr. Wilfred Roberts is reported to be leaving shortly.

The forecast was made four days ago by the "Evening Standard" that the new group would only last a fortnight.—Trans-Ocean.



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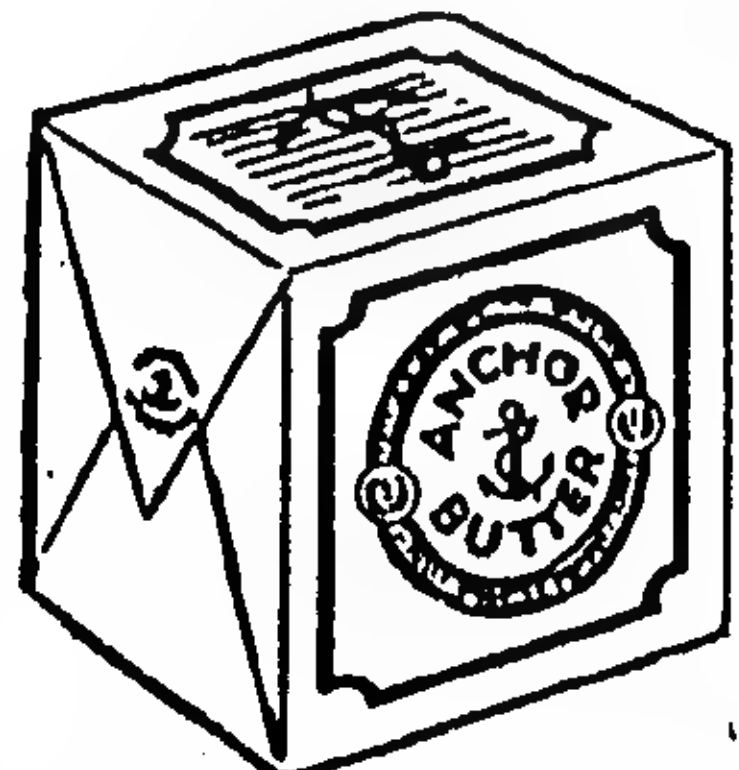
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SCOT'S MYSTERY DISAPPEARANCE

Brian Grover On Way To London With His Wife

LONDON, Jan. 5. BRIAN Grover, the young Englishman, who recently flew to Russia and landed there without a passport in order to try and secure contact with his Russian wife, whom he had not seen for four years, is now completing the formalities for the release of his wife from Soviet citizenship, and he expects to leave for London to-night, via Warsaw.

It is now revealed that Grover was released by the Soviet authorities at midnight, when he met his wife for the first time for four years at the Commissariat for Home Affairs.

Grover told "Reuter" that he had nothing but compliments for the manner in which the Soviet authorities had handled his case.

He added that they treated him extremely well and courteously in the Russian prison.

Grover revealed that he had a personal interview with M. Litvin-Uberia, new chief of the Commissariat for Home Affairs, being the first foreigner ever accorded such an interview.—Reuter.

Luxemburg Heir Assumes Titles

Luxemburg, Jan. 5. The hereditary Prince and successor to the throne of Luxembourg, Prince Jean, of Luxembourg, came of age to-day on his 18th birthday, and was given the titles of hereditary Grand Duke of Luxembourg, hereditary Prince of Nassau, and Prince of Bourbon-Parma.—Trans-Ocean.

Last Seen Early On Wednesday at Kowloon Docks

POLICE admitted to-day that they were utterly at a loss to account for the disappearance of Charles Christian, 60-year-old Scots chief engineer of the British steamer Deslock.

Christian was last seen alive at 3 a.m. on Wednesday. He had just come off duty and was dressed in engineers' overalls.

It was at first believed that he had gone ashore from the ship. But the night watchman at the gates of Kowloon Dock is emphatic that no European left the docks after midnight.

When Christian was last seen alive, he was leaning over the rail outside his cabin.

The bed-clothes in his bunk were still turned down. The bed had not been disturbed. None of his clothes had been tampered with and it is certain that he was still dressed in his dungarees when he disappeared.

The Deslock left Hongkong yesterday for Hongkong, after signing on a new Chief Engineer. Christian's belongings have been landed.

Christian, who is a native of Aberdeen, only recently signed on the Deslock, his predecessor being E. Dubois, an Australian.

Dubois was Chief Engineer aboard the ship when it went ashore on the south coast of Hainan Island during a typhoon last September. The ship was refloated under its own power.

The Master of the Deslock is Capt. J. H. Longmire.

Ta Ching Temple Case Is Settled

Kowloon, Kowloon, Jan. 5. As a happy augury of improved relations between Tibet and Sikkim following the inauguration of the Sikkim Provincial Government, the Ta Ching Lamist Temple case, one of the main causes of friction between the Tibetan and Sikkim people, has been satisfactorily settled.

The agreement for the settlement of the case, consisting of eight articles, was signed by representatives of the Tibetan and Sikkim governmental authorities here on January 2. The agreement is the result of seven years' unremitting efforts at conciliation and represents concessions on both sides.

The Ta Ching Temple, one of the largest lamaist temples on the Tibetan and Sikkim border, was partially destroyed following a feud between the Tibetan lamaists and Chinese in 1931. Violence, with much bloodshed, followed, and despite earnest efforts on both sides to reach a satisfactory solution, it was not until recently that a settlement was secured.

According to the agreement, the Temple authorities are to pay an indemnity of \$123,000 Tibetan currency to the Chinese merchants and another of \$32,000 Tibetan currency to rebuild the Temple, which they had destroyed.

The Kante district government, on the other hand, will detail 150 labourers to repair the damaged portion of the Temple.

The firearms which the Tibetan authorities had supplied to the temple are to be returned with the exception of thirty rifles, which will be retained for self-defence purposes. Central News.

G.O.C. For Shanghai

The General Officer Commanding the British Troops China, Major General A. E. Grassie, leaves Hongkong this morning for the north to inspect his troops.

His Excellency boarded the Rajputana with his A.D.C., Lieut. St. John, for the first stage of his inspection which will take in Shanghai. Later he will go to Tientsin. Maj. Gen. Grassie will return to the Colony at the end of January.

Famed Political Student In Colony

PROFESSOR TYLER DENNETT

THOUGH a distinguished student of international affairs, with particular reference to the Far East, Professor Tyler Dennett, who is staying at the Peninsula Hotel on his first visit to the Colony in 22 years, said this morning that he preferred not to give his impressions of the present situation.

He added that the situation was a ticklish one and that any views he held must be subject to modification by the study and progress of events.

Professor Dennett, who is retired President of the Williams College in New England, one of the oldest colleges in America, is on the way to Australia and New Zealand on behalf of the Carnegie Corporation, which spends a good deal of money in those countries in universities and public libraries. It is the practice of the Carnegie Corporation to arrange an exchange of visits between Australia and New Zealand and America.

It is Professor Dennett's intention to talk with southern political and educational leaders about the situation in the Western Pacific.

SEES GREAT CHANGES

Professor Dennett has not been in the East for 22 years and he naturally sees great changes; he contrasts particularly the bustle in the Central District of Hongkong with the leisurely way of life and trading that prevailed 22 years ago.

The material changes were symptomatic of the internal changes, he said, adding: "When I was here over 22 years ago China was in the hands of her 'old men'—by which I mean men who had no western education. Returned students were just coming back and gathered in the cities. They did not have much to do and were not trusted by the older men."

These students were something of a problem. Some of them had been away perhaps too long, imbibing new ideas, and they did not like what they found when they came back. Now they are in control; the old Chinese leader is as much an exception as was the returned student 22 years ago.

The first impact of western ideas represented by these students was to some extent destructive, but in the last few years the efforts of the returned students have been more and more constructive; so that, when they say there is a new situation, that extent, the Japanese are right in Asia. There is new life here.

Professor Dennett calls for Australia by the Tai Ping on January 13.

GENEROUS OVERSEAS CHINESE

\$80,000,000 Donated For War Relief

CHUNGKING, Jan. 6. THE total amount of funds remitted to China by overseas Chinese for the relief of wounded soldiers and refugees and for other charitable and patriotic purposes since the outbreak of the hostilities is conservatively estimated at \$80,000,000 in a report on the activities of Chinese abroad during the past 17 months just issued by the Overseas Chinese Affairs Commission.

The report states that the first donation from overseas Chinese was received on July 22, 1937, 13 days after the Lukouchiao Incident.

From that day to August 13, 1937, when the Shanghai hostilities broke out, funds were continually remitted back by overseas Chinese.

The overseas donations were received mostly through the China Red Cross Society, and some through the Central Kuomintang Headquarters and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Overseas Affairs Commission received approximately \$1,400,000.

Donations from the Chinese in the Straits Settlements, according to the report, ranked first in amount, the total being \$24,000,000. The Philippines, Australia, America and Hongkong came next.—Central News.

Bucknell Plans Pensions

Lewisburg, Pa. Bucknell University will inaugurate the Carnegie system of retirement pensions for faculty members next February. It calls for contributions by teachers of 5 per cent. of their salaries monthly, which is matched by a like amount by the university.

COLDEST DAY IN YEAR

HONGKONG'S SUDDEN COLD spell yesterday caught many people unawares and brought, at 3 o'clock this morning, the coldest temperature since last winter.

Between 2 p.m. yesterday and 3 o'clock this morning there was a drop of almost ten degrees to 49.9 degrees—the first time the mercury has dropped below 50 degrees since last February.

This is how the temperature varied.

2 p.m. 58	3 a.m. 49.9
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7 p.m. 54.1	5 a.m. 51.5
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2 a.m. 50.9	9 a.m. 51.5

WEATHER FORECAST

According to the Royal Observatory this morning, local weather for the next 24 hours will be cloudy, with drizzle or mist, but conditions will improve. Fresh north-east winds will continue.

It was stated that the anti-cyclone is stationary over China and has increased slightly in intensity. The depression remains to the north-east of Hokkaido.

Yesterday's maximum temperature was 67, but there was a severe drop during the period, the minimum being 50. This morning at 10 o'clock the temperature was 51, and humidity registered 88 degrees.

Two points of an inch of rain fell during the past 24 hours, making the total for the year .8 of an inch, as compared with an average of 13 of an inch.

COLD WAVE SWEEPS KWANGSI PROVINCE

Kweilin, Jan. 6. A bitter cold wave is sweeping over Kweilin.

A howling north wind intensifies the bitter weather, which is said to have reached the lowest record in five years.—Central News.

Ages of New Japanese Cabinet Average 57

TOKYO, Jan. 6.

THE average age of the members of the new Hiranuma Cabinet is 57.

The oldest member is the Premier, Baron Hiranuma, who is 72, while the youngest is the Minister of Finance, Mr. Ishiwata, who is 48.

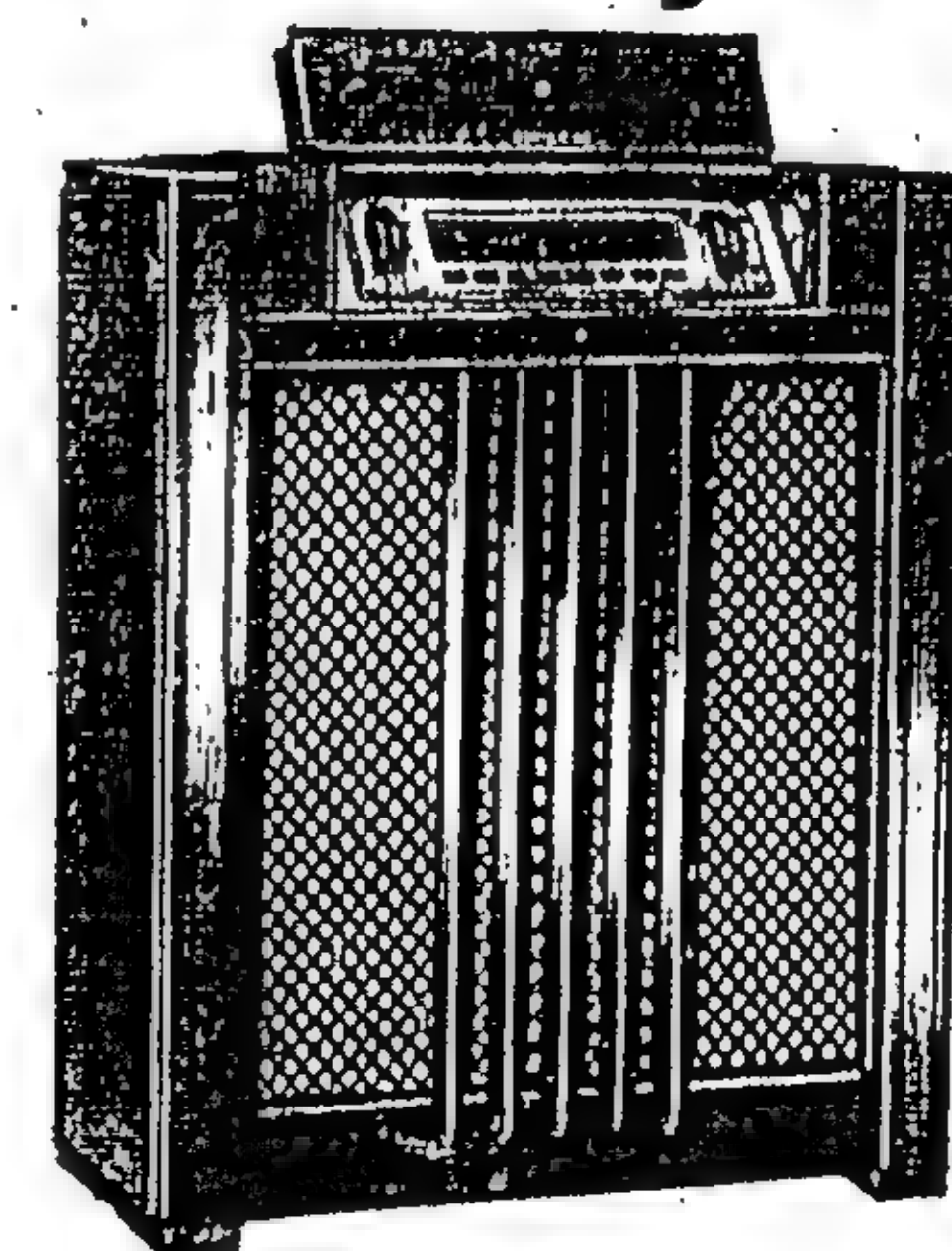
Listed following are the ages of the members of the new Cabinet. Premier Hiranuma, 72, Education Minister Araki, 62, Commerce and Industry Minister and concurrently Overseas Affairs Minister Hattai, 60, Navy Minister Yonai, 59, Justice Minister and concurrently Communications Minister Shiono, 59, Agriculture Minister Sakuruchi, 59, Railways Minister Mayeda, 57, Foreign Minister Arima, 55, War Minister Itagaki, 54, Home Minister Kido, 50, Public Welfare Minister Hirose, 50, Finance Minister Ishiwata, 48, Minister Without Portfolio, Prince Konoye.—Domei.

one in blue ribbons with a red thread running round it. It had a brim in front and was perched well on top of the head. Another, plate-shaped, supported bows of baby ribbon in petunia, cyclamen, blue, and green.

A finger-tip length cape of chin-chilla was much admired, and it looks as though this fur will be back in favour again. One coat, plain in front, had a "surprise" back, for its flared skirt was trimmed with two bands of silver fox.



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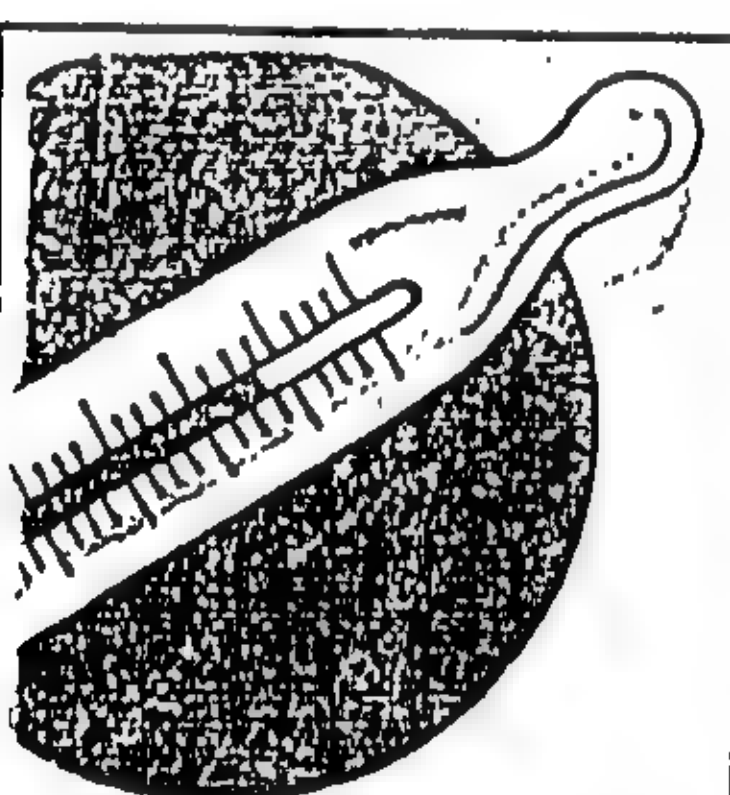
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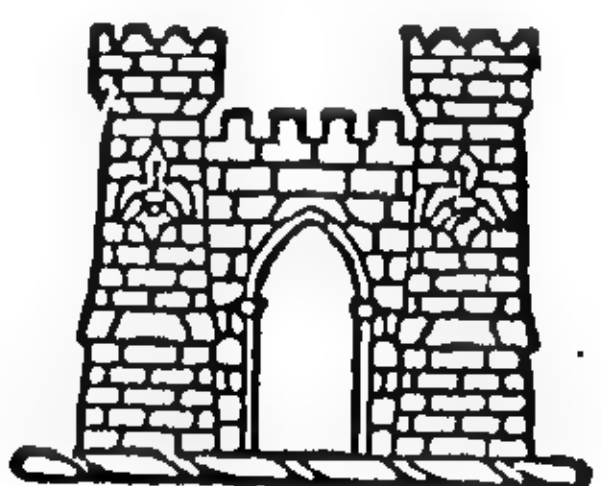
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Man and the State

IF YOU WANT to learn something about what is happening in Japan, read the article "Crisis in Tokyo" on this page. You will understand, then, what is meant when you are told that Baron Hiranuma, Japan's new Premier, is a member of an old Samurai family. He is a bachelor, 72 years of age.

He is one of Japan's most fervent apostles of nationalism, which means Fascism. Hiranuma once founded a nationalist society which attracted many leading figures in Japanese naval, military and financial circles. It differed from real Fascism in that it advocated totalitarianism by constitutional means. Significantly, it founder dissolved the order.

Will totalitarianism, as applied in Germany and Italy, come to Japan as a result of the change in Cabinet?

More than probably, Japan is already on a semi-Fascist basis. The power to completely subordinate the freedom of the community to the will of the State is provided by the National Mobilisation Act, which became law five months ago. That Act encountered considerable opposition in Japan's Diet. It was passed only after Prince Konoye promised that its provisions would not be enforced in toto unless an emergency much graver than that provided by the conflict with China was forthcoming.

Konoye kept his promise and invoked only certain provisions of the Act.

There is no shadow of doubt now but that the entire Act will be applied.

Sayonara?

APART FROM other considerations, Japan's financial position has become so desperate that mobilisation of all the nation's resources is imperative.

Even the totalitarian form of Communism may not save Japan. Remember, for the next 360 days she is committed to finding £1,000,000 a day. She has no overseas markets from which she can borrow money or credit.

Has she a sufficient reserve of internal resources to stave off bankruptcy, even with mobilisation of all her private resources?

If not, it's Sayonara for Japan's hopes of victory in China.



CRISIS IN TOKYO

JAPAN HAS had a written Constitution for nearly a half century.

To a considerable degree, if we think in terms of conditions prevailing in 1889, the year of its promulgation, the document was worthy to be called liberal.

The general nature of government under it was parliamentary. There was a Diet or Congress, a Cabinet, and an independent Judiciary. A bill of rights carried the familiar protections to individual subjects and their property, including religious freedom. Beyond question, the new regime was more liberal than the old.

PICTURE the old regime! At Kyoto, secluded from all men save a few courtiers, remote from actual affairs, kowtowed to as a god-emperor, but correspondingly condemned as an actual sovereign, reposed the titular Mikado.

At Yedo, later called Tokyo, another figure-head, the shogun, greatest of the feudal lords (the daimyo), and commander of the imperial armed forces, appeared to be the actual head of the state, but was in fact the puppet of a small coterie of Tokugawa clan leaders.

The latter delegated local administrative powers to the two-sworded samurai, whose despotic sway was only restrained by custom and the fear that the peasant would revolt if life became intolerable. The people were bound to the soil, unconscious of their political potentiality, without rights or the institutions of representation.

It was a long stride from that position to membership, by election of their neighbours, in national, provincial, and municipal assemblies, under the reorganization laws of the late nineteenth century.

In old Japan the cult of Shinto was the dominant religious and social influence in the lives of the people.

It inculcated loyalty to the gods from whom they were descended; and especially to their tenno, the Emperor, himself a god and vicegerent of the gods.

Loyalty to him meant, of course, obedience to the mandates of the officials, humility in times of depression, sacrifice in war.

How to preserve the attitude, while tolerating the growth of national discussion of governmental policies, was a problem for the men to whom the powers of government were transferred when feudalism fell.

FOR THOSE MEN were opposed to democracy. Naturally so, since they were samurai of the feudal class, chief among them Choshu and Satsuma, which had forced out the Tokugawa.

Their model for the Japanese Constitution was that of Prussia, an absolutist system with a very limited suffrage and a correspondingly weak national legislature.

They purported to maintain the oligarchy, substituting themselves for the ousted men.

They would build up a powerful bureaucracy, indebted to them for position rather than to the people and the Diet. They would let the people's delegates talk but not decide policy or control administration.

WHAT IS happening in Japan?

There is a Cabinet crisis. Nothing extraordinary, you say. Other nations have Cabinet crises.

Yes. But for a parallel for the present crisis in Japan you may have to go back to Mussolini's March on Rome, or Hindenburg's summons to Hitler to take over the reins of Government.

It may be as bad as that. The fall of Konoye is the result of the latest, and possibly not the last, expression of the feudal spirit which has outlived the feudal system.

If you read the following article by Harold S. Quigley, Professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota, you may form some idea of the significance of events in Tokyo.

The Constitution of Japan is, the Diet but to the Emperor. like all constitutions, but in a They may or not be selected from greater degree than others, large-the membership of the Diet. by unwritten.

Looking first at the written of Foreign Affairs, War, and the portion, we find a Diet of two Navy, are never so chosen, and the Chambers—a House of Repe-the Ministers of War and of the sentatives and a House of Peers. Navy are required by law to be The former is elected by male generals or admirals.

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The House of Peers is partly appointed, partly elected. The the imperial palace, and the appointed peers receive their several agencies of the military warrants of office from the and naval command. Of the palace statesmen, the Emperor but are nominated by the Premier. The elected peers most influential is the Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal. The government is not yet established in Japan. It can develop only by understandings over a lengthy period.

Thus the two bodies differ considerably in social background and attitude. The Diet has not yet attained to an appreciable influence over national policy, due to the great superior powers of the executive and to popular indifference to democratic ideas, an indifference which has been carefully fostered by the educational authorities.

THE EXECUTIVE, if we follow the written Constitution, is composed of the Emperor, the Privy Council, and the Cabinet. The Privy Council is a body of 26 elderly men, chosen for life by the Premier from the ranks of the bureaucracy, the military services, and the professions.

The Cabinet is a group of a dozen ministers of state, each heading a department, together with a premier. The Premier is appointed by the Emperor upon the advice of certain elder statesmen. He and the other Cabinet members are responsible not to the formulation of national

FINALLY, and above all the others, there is the *genro*. This institution rests upon custom alone, having no written legal foundation. The word means "elder statesman" and the holder of the position, Prince Saionji, now 89 years old, is the highest adviser of the Emperor.

His half dozen colleagues of earlier years have passed on, but his remarkable influence survives. His approval is sought by every executive agency for every major proposal. How do these several agencies manage to function together? The Cabinet is responsible for the formulation of national

policy in all fields but one. On matters of national defence the supreme command, which we may best envisage as the several military and naval agencies in collaboration, is empowered to decide.

This power, however, is limited by the Cabinet's right to frame the budget and to carry on foreign relations.

While the former right does not extend to deleting budget items previously set up, it does cover new items. However, the views of the Cabinet must pass the scrutiny of the Privy Council, of the *genro*, and of the palace advisers.

At any stage of their progress toward the imperial signature they may be held up for revision or rejected outright.

Thus the Cabinet is constantly under fire and subject to a perplexing variety of controls. The embarrassing strength of these checks upon the Cabinet springs from the age of the restraining organs and their closer kinship with the dominant social forces in the country.

Moreover, Japanese political tradition calls for divided responsibility. The theory of Cabinet government is not yet established in Japan. It can develop only by understandings over a lengthy period.

This development is not hampered by the imperial prerogative, since the Emperor does not make decisions on policy. No doubt development would be more rapid if he did.

The absence of imperial decision results in frequent deadlocks and delays, out of which ultimately emerges whatever line of policy is favoured by the agency that is dominant at the moment.

At one time that may be the supreme command, at another time the *genro*, since even the *genro* cannot always have the deciding word. This means that one or the other powerful group is likely to be resentful and eager to redress the balance when a new issue arises.

THE ROLE of the Diet in the contest for power is a minor one. Impotent from the start, it has had to rely upon the growth of popular political consciousness to provide it with a leverage for constitutional reform.

Unhappily, although there has been a considerable development along desired lines, it has not been fruitful because the House of Representatives and the parties have steadily lost credit, due to their demonstrated lack of principles and willingness to sacrifice the cause of Liberalism for party success and individual enrichment.

THE REAL OPPOSITION to military extremism is supplied by the bureaucracy. The permanent civil service, ramifying through the entire governmental structure, from the departments in Tokyo through the provincial administrations, including the police, and highly centralised through the Ministry of Home Affairs, provides the warp and woof of government.

The strongest men in the political parties were formerly in the civil service, while the Privy Council and the House of Peers take their tone from promoted bureaucrats. Even when the Cabinet is made up almost wholly of party members, the bureaucracy controls it.

The real contest for power in modern Japan has always been one between two great bureaucracies, the civil and the military.

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BITTER NAZI ATTACK ON ROOSEVELT

But London Greets President's Speech with Relief Action Soon By United States?

BERLIN, Jan. 5. THE FLAMES OF the German press indignation over certain points in President Roosevelt's message to Congress, were fanned to-day by the statement of Senator Key Pittman, that he believed the American Government had decided not to abide by protests in the future, but to support these with moral, financial, and economic sanctions.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

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The adjourned Sessions reopened this morning. The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. W. A. C. Cruickshank, C. P. Rupp, J. G. de Rosmedes, C. Mooney, E. N. Philmann, I. Wester, J. A. Costa, and G. Skott.

Two other jurors who kicked at having to serve their Queen and country were rejected.

25 YEARS AGO

During the month of December the following mercantile marine officers successfully passed at examinations held at the Hongkong Harbour Office: Master, John Eldridge Viant, and James Smith.

Second Mate, William Brewer. First Engineer, Archibald Hodge and George Butchart.

Second Engineer, Archibald Neil Morrison, Keuben Whitfield and John Wills.

Mr. A. Walsley, time keeper of Quarry Bay, had clothing and a pair of boots, worth in all \$81, stolen on January 5.

10 YEARS AGO

A "Reuters" message from Shanghai states that His Excellency Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, is due there to-day by the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France, en route to Hongkong.

The Dean, the Very Rev. Alfred Swann, officiated at the wedding which took place at St. John's Cathedral on Saturday afternoon of Miss Dorothy Goodman, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Goodman, and Mr. Clarence Leupenter Farmer, third son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Farmer, of Shamen.

The death occurred at Miami, of Tex. Richard the world-famous boxing promoter.

At the last annual meeting of Subscribers and pewholders of St. John's Cathedral the abolition of new rates was agreed to in principle and the Church Body was requested to consider and submit a practical scheme for carrying this into effect.

FIVE YEARS AGO

Two well-known private hotels on the Bowen Road level, "Derington" and "Lauriston," are shortly to be demolished and a big block of European flats erected on the sites.

Reports that the Central Government troops have definitely gained the upper hand in the fighting in Northern Fukien have been confirmed by latest reports from the front.

Japan's Propaganda Denied In London

London, Jan. 5. A categorical denial that Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador to London telegraphed to Chiang Kai-shek urging acceptance of Wang Ching-wei's peace proposals, has been issued by the Chinese Embassy.

The statement confirms that Mr. Quo Tai-chi instead telegraphed Wang Ching-wei "as a close friend," strongly urging him to "abandon his move."

The statement characterizes the Japanese report as a "deliberate but clumsy attempt to mislead the public, so that there will be suspicion and confusion."—Reuters.

COUGH THE WORLD HEARD



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

SOME OF THE personal magnetism of President Roosevelt came to Hongkong last night. During the 9.30 p.m. relay by ZBW of the Daventry news bulletin, a short electrical transcription of portion of the President's address to Congress was given. The entire speech was relayed by the B.B.C. in England. Reception in Hongkong was so clear last night that it was impossible to realise that voice of the President had travelled 20,000 miles before reaching local receivers. The President spoke solemnly, emotionally. He was greeted by a tremendous ovation, and the parts of the speech relayed last night were frequently punctuated by crashing applause. Once or twice the President coughed—a cough that was heard around the world. The rest of the paper as he turned the sheets of his speech was distinctly audible in Hongkong.

QUAKERS COMING TO FAR EAST

Centre To Be Opened In Shanghai

LONDON, Jan. 5. MR. H. T. SILCOCK, director and adviser to Chinese students at the Universities China Committee in London, and secretary to the China Society, accompanied by Dr. Herbert Hodgkin, son of the famous Dr. Henry Hodgkin, left Liverpool to-day by the Britannic for New York.

They will spend ten days in Philadelphia, and Chicago, and will arrive in Shanghai about the middle of February, where they hope to bring about the formation of a Quaker centre at the beginning of March.

The Foreign Y.M.C.A., in Bubbling Well Road has kindly provided a room for their use. Mr. Silcock and Dr. Hodgkin will keep in very close touch with local Quakers, on whose advice they will depend in planning the practical work.

While the hope of working for better feeling between the Chinese and Japanese is always an important objective, London Quakers emphasize that nothing can be done unless there is in any way susceptible of political activity, from which it is the Quakers' fundamental rule, always to abstain.

Before leaving London, Mr. Silcock and Dr. Hodgkin interviewed Mr. Quo Tai-chi and Mr. Sigmund, the Chinese and Japanese Ambassadors respectively, and both expressed deep interest in the venture, and wished them good fortune.—Reuters.

WELCOMED BY LONDON PRESS

London newspapers welcome President Roosevelt's speech. The "Daily Telegraph" believes that it portends more than a passive attitude to world affairs. The "Daily Herald" says that President Roosevelt's words and actions encourage those nations who need encouragement, and warn those who need warning.

ACTION SOON AGAINST TOTALITARIANS?

Washington, Jan. 5. Circles here see in President Roosevelt's speech a hint of economic action against Germany and Japan. —United Press.

WANG CHING-WEI TO DEFEND ACTION

THE "TELEGRAPH" UNDERSTANDS that Wang Ching-wei, former Chungking Minister, will issue a statement to-morrow, denying the charge that he is a traitor to China, and setting forth the reasons for his departure for French Indo-China.

British Trade In China

THE question of foreign capital investments in China was one of the many aspects of British trade with the Far East dealt with in the House of Commons recently.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher asked the Prime Minister whether he has yet been officially informed of the future intentions of Japan in China as to foreign capital investments in all enterprises considered essential to defence or economically necessary to Japan?

Mr. Butler: No, Sir. Lieut.-Commander Fletcher: Has the British Ambassador at Tokyo recently had information from the Japanese Foreign Office on this point? Mr. Butler: We have received no official information.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher: Is it not the case that the Ambassador has been asked for a report? Mr. Butler: We are naturally fully informed by the Ambassador on all that he is told by the Japanese Government. I am asked here whether we have had any official information. We have not.

The closing of the open door in China is still attracting much attention in this country and in a series of questions in the House on this subject, some attempt was made to obtain some statement from the Government as to their intended action in regard to the Nine-Power Treaty.

Mr. R. Morgan asked the Prime Minister whether his attention has been drawn to the new Japanese official pronouncement on the closing of the open door in China; whether the British Government have received official information on the subject; and whether, in that case, he can make any statement?

Mr. Butler: My Noble Friend has seen no such official pronouncement nor has he received any official information on the subject. I have, therefore, nothing to add to my reply to my hon. Friend the Member for Bury (Mr. Chorlton) on 12th December.

Mr. Bellenger: In spite of the fact that the Government have received no official information, is the open door in China, in fact, being closed to this country's trade?

Mr. Butler: I made clear our view in my answer to the hon. Member for Bury, to which I have referred the hon. Member.

Mr. G. Griffiths: Has the hon. Member not read the "Times"? Prime Minister whether any communications have passed between His Majesty's Government and the Japanese Government relative to the revision of the Nine-Power Treaty?

Mr. Gallacher asked the Prime Minister what communications have passed between His Majesty's Government and the Japanese Government concerning the revision of the Nine-Power Treaty?

Mr. Butler: I would refer the hon. Members to my reply to my hon. Friend the Member for Bury (Mr. Chorlton) on 12th December. Mr. Gallacher: Is the Minister not aware that Japan, with or without notice, is going to revise the Nine-Power Treaty and completely close the door in China?

Mr. Butler: As I have stated before, we cannot recognise any alteration in the position as defined in this Treaty which is brought about unilaterally.

Mr. Gallacher: Is it not a fact that the Treaty is being revised without notice, just as the war in China was started without notice? The Treaty is being revised. In the Minister not aware of it?

Mr. Butler: I am fully aware of the difficulties of the position in the Far East, which are under our constant review. I hope the hon. Gentleman will accept the assurance in the answer I have already given.

The Prime Minister was also questioned in Parliament recently regarding the Kiangyin boom and the Japanese allegation that this is an obstacle to foreign shipping on the Yangtze.

Commander Marsden asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that the Japanese Government allege as an obstacle to the resumption of foreign shipping on the Yangtze, that there is at present no room for more than one ship at a time to pass through the Kiangyin boom, and that to remove this obstruction, and whether His Majesty's Government propose to direct His Majesty's ships to remove the boom across this international highway?

Mr. Butler: The Japanese Government claim that the Kiangyin boom has been opened only sufficiently to provide for passenger boats.

Wang Ching-wei is still in Hanoi. The statement, it is understood, will be issued by his representatives in Hongkong. In the statement, Wang Ching-wei, it is understood, will launch charges against the Communist Party's activities in China.

He will state that China's greatest menace is Communism and will charge that the Chinese communists are disseminating among the people the slogan: "If China should lose to Japan it is better for her to go to Soviet Russia."

The reported statement to be issued by Wang Ching-wei is said to contain the allegation that the Communist leader, Mr. Chow En-lai, is requesting Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to issue a manifesto to the effect that San Min Chu I—the three Principles of the People—is Communism.

It is reported that Wang will charge that the Communist Party has drafted a plan for collection by the Government of all private deposits in banks, "including foreign banks in Hongkong and Shanghai."

BRITAIN'S PLANS FOR EVACUATION

Safeguarding Children In Emergencies

LONDON, Jan. 5.

AS A FIRST STEP in formulating plans for the evacuation of between two and three million children from big cities in the event of an emergency, the Minister of Health, Sir Kingsley Wood, has circulated local authorities requesting their co-operation with the Government in taking an immediate census of available accommodation for billeting purposes, which, it is hoped, will be completed by the end of February.

It is estimated that there are 1,000,000 children in the administrative county of London alone.

It is considered that the provision of camps would be impracticable, the necessary accommodation being best found in existing occupied and empty houses on the lines of the emergency scheme formulated in the September crisis, namely on the basis of one person to every habitable room, the Government paying householders up to half a guinea a week, according to the accommodation provided.

ENTIRE SCHOOLS TO GO

While no children can be moved in an emergency unless the parents so desire, it is contemplated that school children would be moved school by school, with their teachers, so that their education may be continued in the reception areas.

The circular emphasised that the information supplied by householders for the census would be entirely voluntary, objections being noted for consideration.

It is hoped that in the event of an emergency, householders would voluntarily accept billeting children, but it is pointed out that those who do not accommodate children, may be required to take other persons.

Steps are also being taken to prevent any profiteering in letting rooms.—Reuters.

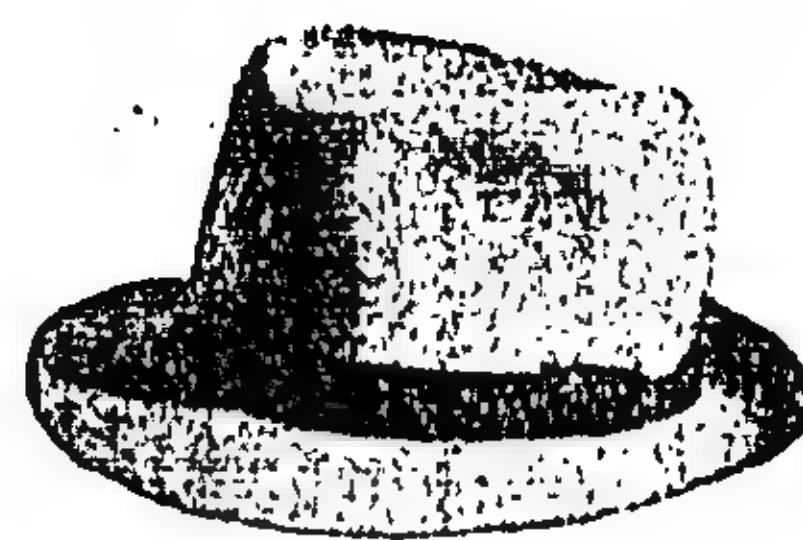
Polish Minister On Visit To Hitler

Berlin, Jan. 5. Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, who is visiting Germany, had a long talk with Herr Hitler at Berchtesgaden this afternoon. Herr von Ribbentrop was also present. No statement was issued regarding the questions discussed, but it is understood that the matters may have included Jewish refugees in Poland, the minorities, and Danzig.—Reuters.

ships and military transports. The difficulties arising from the position are at present under review.

Sir J. Haslam asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that the Japanese authorities at Tientsin have placed an embargo on the export of cotton yarns as from 6th December; and what steps he is taking to stop this interference with British trade?

Mr. Butler: An embargo on the export of cotton (not specifically cotton yarns) from Tientsin was promulgated on 6th December. The matter is now under consideration, and I shall be glad to examine any information which my hon. Friend can give me on the particular point.



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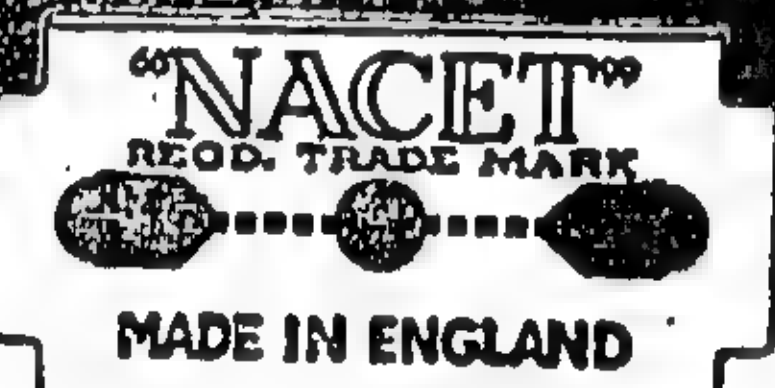
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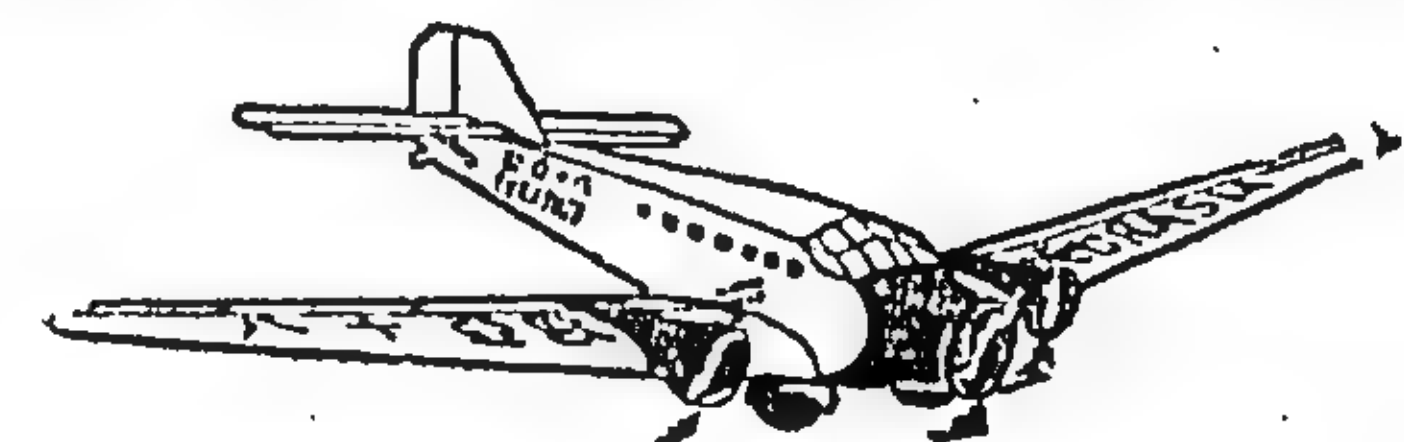
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ECLIPSE OF LIBERTY BAY GENERALLY REGRETTED

LOOKING BACK ON CHAMPION'S BRIGHT CAREER

(By "Captain Foster")

May I have the pleasure of taking readers back to the Spring of 1932? In that season we saw a wonderful China pony in Liberty Bay (owned by Mr. L. Dunbar) who made his first public appearance in the most exclusive classic event, the Hongkong Derby, which sets a terrific test and strain over a distance journey of one and a half miles. After winning the Blue Riband with consummate ease, Liberty Bay was turned out by the connections to have a good rest and his next outing was an easy passage in the Sixth Aggregate Stakes over a mile in the late October meeting, the run being merely a pipe-opener in preparation for the Hongkong St. Leger.

However, it was after the first public performance that many competent judges of horse-flesh considered that Liberty Bay was one of the finest China ponies that ever raced at Happy Valley. Some held the opinion that it would be hard to find a big 'un to lower his flag whilst other followers of the turf prognosticated that the bay stallion would retire some day without suffering a defeat. Like everything else, one cannot go on for ever, but the form book reveals that on every occasion of Liberty Bay's success the decision was always by the length of a street with a load of pounds to spare. He was a non-combatant in 1937. The "day off" on account of being "dilly" was, if I may be permitted to say so, a terrible disaster and the end came on February 23 of last year when he met his Waterloo in Silkylight, owned by Mr. Eric Meller of Shanghai. It was the one and only occasion that the gallant hero ever walked behind a China pony in a procession. He was in the saddle, enclosure in front of the weighing room, but please remember that Liberty Bay started his racing career in 1932 with two dozen easy wins to his credit and he has collected a grand total of \$39,148 for his American owner.

VINTAGE OF 1938 Three Outstanding Ponies

Now we jump forward to 1938. The absence of a long list of Derby griffins (China ponies) was much marked last year, but it was fully compensated for by a fine increase in quality, the best three being Confusion Bay, Desert Chief and Silkylight.

Enough has been said about the last named steed, but we know very little of Desert Chief whose last appearance was when the stallion got his revenge in the Easter Stakes over a mile, beating Bear Claw and Silkylight by a good margin. It was indeed a great pity that Mr. Eu Tong-sen's candidate was under a cloud and the chestnut pony was away from the racecourse during the second half. It will be recalled that his best public performance was in the Mrs. Bay Handicap over a furlong from the two mile post, once round and in, trouncing Mr. T. E. Pearce's King's Warden and Lady Northcott's Gladstone by many lengths in a record of 2.05 which was a creditable run for a griffin. Desert Chief lowered the previous record figure (2.08½ held by King's Warden, Soldier of Britain and Soldier of Honour) by three two-fifths seconds and the last mile was galloped in 1.52½. A note should be kept of this fast run. It is learned that the stallion is no longer on the walking list.

Louis XIV Undoubtedly Best Of Sub-Griffins: Absent In Second Half

The same story is told every year, that is, one subscription griffin among the China ponies turns out to be head and shoulders above all others. Louis XIV owned by the Jockey Mr. S. W. Tang collared \$6,333 for his seven outings during two months, but the chestnut gelding never appeared in public again after the March meeting. His absence, coupled with that of Smiling Thru who pulled up lame after the September meeting, gave Salvage Master owned by Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield two classics, the Sub-griffins St. Leger and the Hongkong Sub-griffins Autumn Champions. This luck at the wheel brought in \$4,900 while Smiling Thru made \$4,700 for Mr. Eu Tong-sen. Louis XIV would have piled up more if he had started after the recess. However there is not much prospect of Louis XIV appearing at the Annual meeting, but Smiling Thru, it is learned, will be donning the silk. Piet Hein of the Hollandia syndicate is fourth in the undermentioned list with a balance of \$2,044 to his credit.

Aemo	\$ 175
African Cat	500
All Baba	100
Arabian Cat	-
Astrik	425
Bestever	-
De Yourself	175
Borrachito	1,250
Cape Comorin	850
Captain Blood	-
Celebration Day	-
Charybdis	675
Cleeve	175
Cloudy Star	325
Cleketer	800
Cuban Love	800
Daddy Longlegs	125
Dark Hazard	375
Dekko	1,075
Desert Star	2,338
Double Up	-
Eagle	250
Easy Time	687
Fel Yung	1,075
Ferrybridge	-
Final Triumph	2,087
Flame	175

Flying Trapeze	-
Full Mark	-
Gobi Star	-
Golden Brew	-
Golden Cow	2,400
Golden Idol	-
In The Bag	-
Iron Knight	-
Jack High	-
Labour Day	75
Lancashire Chap	750
Louis XIV	6,333
Lucky Seven	75
Mac's Second Venture	-
Macau Star	50
Meteor	1,400
Mongolian Cat	750
Mustard	-
National Dignity	425
National Force	750
National Guard	1,100
National Triumph	200
On Your Toe	-
Palmer	-
Piet Hein	2,444
Planchet	950
Platinum	-
Rexiana	-
Sahara Star	325
Salvage Master	4,000
Sea Dragon	750
Smiling Thru	4,700
Spirit Hand	1,333
Stymie	1,375
Sunshine Suzie	-
The Great Triumph	-
The Leopard	1,200
The Scholar	-
Tommy	-
Tribute	1,050
Urber	-
Wenning	662
	\$49,451

The form book shows that in The Bag and Tommy weighed out once during the season, but Wenning holds the record of starting 22 times. Cape Comorin, Lucky Eleven and National Dignity came under the starter's orders on 21 occasions, the latter two running in Macao and Fanning. National Force and Sea Dragon have each a win, the rest of their outings being unplaced and Stymie registered five wins in Macao and one in Fanning. He has no liking for Happy Valley. The best dividend of the year was \$530 paid by National Guard in the Fokien Plate over a mile ridden by a novice, Mr. Yeung Wing-kwai.



Above are members of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps billiards team which recently won the 1938 "Soldiers' Club Tournament." There are some very fine players in the Corps.—Photo by Mee Cheung.

Silkylight Wins Most Stake Money

Last season undoubtedly brought forward some lovely "A" class China ponies, but judging by what there are at present in training for the 1939 big meet, I do not hold out much hope of seeing any to eclipse those I have just mentioned.

These "riders in the stand" who have "gone down the sink" may be interested to know that the Derby griffins drew from the coffers of the Hongkong Jockey Club a total sum of \$49,955 and the list is made up as follows:

Advancing Time	\$ 5,300
Cameronian	4,243
Confusion Bay	2,886
Desert Chief	1,550
Elizabeth	1,550
Expression Time	2,875
Joker	-
Half-Moon Eve	1,700
Handicap Eve	1,100
Humdrum Eve	2,950
J. C.	2,925
Just In Time	2,550
Lancashire Boy	200
Lancashire Lass	2,600
Lucky	1,800
Lucky	2,575
Moonlight View	500
National Defence	1,200
National Bride	-
Pinfarthings	1,050
Race Jane	10,751
Silkylight	-
Sunlight View	2,000
Tampa Bay	-
The Giant Panda	-
	\$49,955

(* value of three cups included).

It will be seen that Silkylight heads the list with \$10,751 and the amount is \$562 higher than that won by Trenbridge belonging to Mrs. T. E. Pearce in 1933. It is interesting to relate that five China ponies out of 25 failed to collect a cent, but Joker and Lancashire Lass weighed out 16 times.



Lieut. Walters, of H.M.S. Medway, the Navy left-wing three-quarter, who has been playing consistently well for the Navy rugby fifteen in the Triangular Tournament this season.—Photo by A. A. Kahn.

Donald Budge Again Beats Vines

San Francisco, Jan. 5. In their second professional encounter, Donald Budge again beat Ellsworth Vines by three straight sets. The lanky Californian has won all six sets so far played against Vines.—United Press.

MAKING GOLF HARDER

New Par Figures Ruling For U.S. Women

Edinburgh, Dec. 7. Women's golf will be made slightly more difficult from January 1, according to an announcement of the United States Golf Association, acting on the recommendation of the Women's Committee of the Association increasing the number of yards suggested as a guide in computing women's par on American courses.

For a par 3 hole the recommendation increases the yardage by ten, and for other holes by about twenty-five, as follows:—
Par 3—Up to 210 yards (instead of 200).
Par 4—211 to 400 yards (instead of 201 to 375).
Par 5—401 to 575 yards (instead of 376 to 550).
Par 6—576 and over (instead of 551 and over).

These figures are not arbitrary. The Association points out that some allowance should be made for the nature of the ground and other difficult conditions, such as the severity of the hazards, especially at a hole where the par is doubtful.

Football

Manila Asked To Come Here

It was decided, at a meeting of the Hongkong Football Association, held on Wednesday night, to invite Manila here during the Chinese New Year holidays and to send a team to the Philippines at the end of the season.

Negotiations have been going on for some time between the two bodies and Hongkong were waiting for certain information from Manila.

Though no reply had been received from Manila, the Hongkong Football Association, decided, in view of the short time left for arrangements, to invite Manila and proceed with the arrangements.

THREE-GAME SERIES

Confirmation of Manila's acceptance is expected in a few days.

The visitors are to play three games here. The first will be against the Colony, the second against the Combined Chinese and the third and last game against the Reserve team of the Colony.

It was decided that all the games be played at Causeway Bay.

The following were chosen as selectors of the team: Messrs. Wong Ka-tsun and R. M. Omar, Capt. E. H. P. Neill and Commissioner H. Cooper.

Badminton

WANDERERS BEATEN BY SAINTS' "A"

At St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday evening, St. Andrew's "A" beat Wanderers by 6 games to 3 after leading by 6 games to 0.

W. C. Choy and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's) beat E. Zimmerman and J. S. Ho 21-12; lost to S. W. Liang and E. S. Ho 15-21; beat T. J. Ong and C. Y. Yung 21-7.

E. F. Fincher and H. Kew (St. Andrew's) lost to Zimmerman and Ho 13-21; beat Liang and Ho 21-14; lost to Ong and Yung 11-21.

W. M. Gillis and A. E. Brown (St. Andrew's) lost to Zimmerman and Ho 13-21; beat Liang and Ho 21-14; beat Ong and Yung 21-12.

MIXED DOUBLES

Two matches in the Mixed Doubles are down for decision this evening, the programme being as follows: University v. Kowloon Tong St. John's v. Kowloon Tong

"A" Division Fixtures On Monday

The attention of Badminton players is drawn to errors in the handbook concerning the dates of the "A" Division matches. According to the book, matches in 1939 will be played on Friday, January 6 (to-day), and on each subsequent Friday until February 3.

These dates are wrong. The first matches will be played on Monday, January 9, and on every subsequent Monday until the conclusion of the season.

HOW DAVIS BROKE THE WORLD'S SNOOKER RECORD

For the eighth time in his life, Joe Davis, world snooker champion, broke the world's record for the highest break at snooker. In the fifth frame in the afternoon of his heat with Alec Brown, in the Daily Mail Gold Cup tournament, at Thurston's Hall, Leicester-square, he potted every ball on the table in a break of 138. Brown, however, won the match in the evening.

Three weeks previously Davis created a record of 137 at Leicester. In 1937 he made 135, to beat a break of 133 by Sidney Smith made in 1936, which at the time it was thought would never be beaten. The highest possible, under normal circumstances, is 147. The record run consisted of the 15 reds, 11 blacks, one pink, two blues, one green, and all the pool balls. The frame went this way: Davis broke; Brown played a safety shot; Davis tried a long pot and missed; Brown failed at a cocked-hat double and left a red near the top left pocket. The reds were well placed. Davis played swiftly and surely, had a few awkward moments, and when, with the pool balls left, Chambers called the score at 111, Davis looked up in surprise and exclaimed: "Why, there is a new record here."

Only once was Davis's superb confidence affected. As he passed the 100 there was a burst of applause, and as he was addressing for his next shot a spectator broke the silence with a shout, "Why don't you give him a clap, Brown?" This was Davis's 80th three-figure break, and his tenth since the present season opened. He has high hopes that he will make his hundredth before the season ends, a record without parallel in this game, and the equal of any sporting record in the world.

DIFFICULT SHOT

One last and most difficult shot awaited him. Pink, last ball but one, was an almost straight shot into the bottom pocket, and to get on to the black with certainty Davis had to screw the cue ball back. He looked at the black, smiled confidently, and stood away to chalk his cue. Then he banged the black into the middle of the bag, and with a broad grin stood back while the crowd cheered. Chambers waited, patiently for the cheering to die down and then announced quietly the new record.

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TENNIS STARS RESIGN FROM COMMITTEE

Because they felt that they had been slighted by the regular members of the Lawn Tennis Association's Selection Committee, tennis stars H. G. N. Lee and E. R. Avery, co-opted members of the committee, have resigned.

Lee and Avery were appointed last year on the recommendation of the regular members of the committee, but they felt that they had been slighted, they felt that the L.T.A. was out of touch with modern conditions. "When the mixed doubles team to represent Britain in the forthcoming tour to South Africa was selected, neither Lee nor myself was invited to attend," Avery added.

"The omission to ask us was put down to a slip, but nobody at that meeting seems to have asked, 'Where are Lee and Avery?' Nothing had been done to explain why we were not asked."

"Lee and I were appointed to represent the players because, being younger and recently in big lawn tennis, it was supposed that we knew more about modern conditions than the regular members who have served since the war."

"But what is the good if no notice is taken of what we say?" H. G. N. Lee is an old British Davis cup player and E. R. Avery is an international. There are no active players on the selection committee.

St. Andrew's Hockey Teams Announced

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Caer Clark match against the "Y" Ladies to-morrow at 2.45 p.m. on the "Y" Ground. J. Hall, M. Rozo, G. White, H. Reid, J. Wong, P. Pelligrina, F. Wong, E. Churn, P. Gittins, A. Greiner and I. Gittins.

BROWN CUP

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brown Cup match against Recreation "B" to-morrow at 4 p.m. on the C.B.A. Ground.

R. Rose, D. Chow, J. Broadbridge, M. Newman, M. Vennison, H. O'Sullivan, P. Jeffreys, Y. Ho, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

Candidates For Sullivan 1938 Award

Prominent Golfers Also Mentioned

A list of ten candidates for the 1938 Sullivan Award, made by the National Amateur Athletic Union to the athlete voted as the year's outstanding sportsman or sportswoman, has been handed to the A.A.U. by the Sullivan Award Committee. The list is as follows:—

Charles (Chuck) Fenske, miler from University of Wisconsin. Joe Burk, National Sculling Champion, of Philadelphia.

Charles E. Yates, British amateur golf champion and Walker Cup team star, of Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. Katherine Rawls Thompson, swimming star, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Adolf Kiefer, all-round swimming star, of Chicago. Fred Walcott, Rice University hurdler.

Ray Mallott, Stanford University quarter-miler. Ben Johnson, sprinter, formerly of Columbia University.

Don Lash, former Indiana University middle-distance and distance running star, now a policeman in Indiana.

Miss Patty Berg, national women's golf champion, of Minneapolis. The winner's name will be announced early in the New Year.

Don Budge, tennis star, received the award last year.—Reuter.

HOCKEY MATCHES WITH MACAO

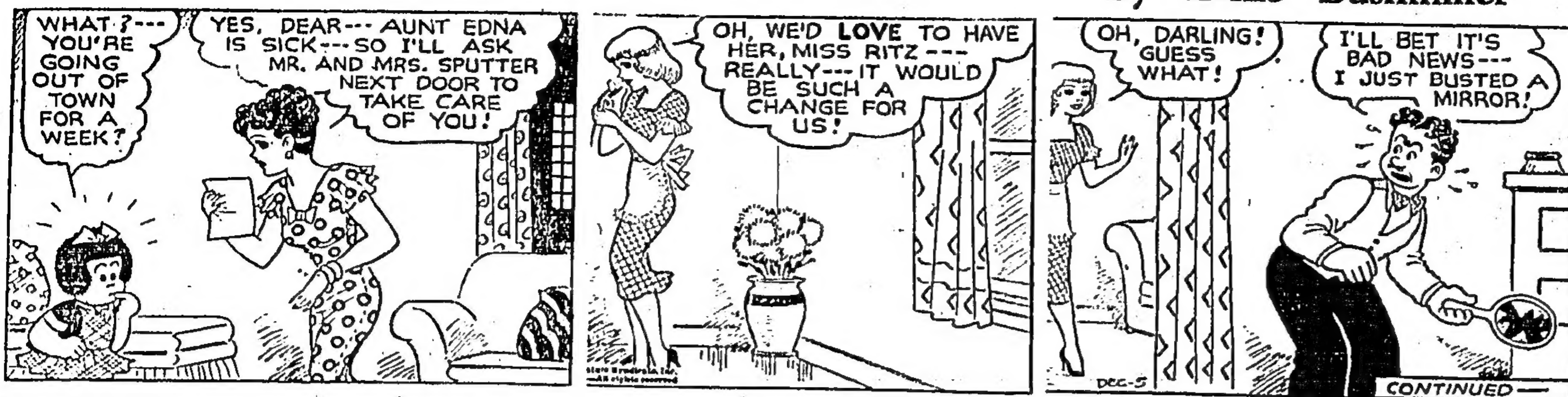
Keen enthusiasm has been the keynote in local sports circles over the announcement that the Macao Hockey Club's first eleven, will engage a team of the Royal Navy consisting of officers on Sunday, Jan. 8. The match will be played in Macao.

Other fixtures for following weekends have also been arranged and it is learned that the Hongkong Police team will visit Macao on Jan. 15, and the 1st and 2nd elevens of the Y.M.C.A. will play here on Jan. 22. A further match scheduled for this month is to take place on Jan. 23 when the team of the 1st Kumon Rifles will be seen.—Our Own Correspondent.



Miss Maton, the youngest member and right-winger of the Basford Ladies' team. She is only 18.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

SIX INTERESTING EVENTS FOR MACAO

SHANGHAI 4 SHOULD WIN OPENING RACE: SZECHUEN HANDICAP

(By "Captain Foster")

Fairly good entries have been received for the January Race Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club to be held at Arcia Preta on Sunday. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. sharp.

Attention of racegoers is drawn to the fact that the s.s. Talsman will depart from the Canton steamers' wharf at 9.30 a.m., returning from Macao at 6 p.m., instead of 5.30 a.m. on Monday morning.

A programme of six interesting events will be presented, the opening race being the Szechuen Handicap (first section) for the Macao subscription "Y" class China ponies over nine furlongs. Shanghai 4 has been set to shoulder the top weight and I gather that he is in better condition than when I saw him at the last meeting. Fairy Ank, the winner of the Macao Handicap over a mile, has been well looked after by the weight adjuster and this little grey nag of Mrs. F. J. Gellion is only 4 lbs. behind the Macao champion. A good tussle between these two is assured, but my fancy is Shanghai 4. Hogmanay should secure a place.

The Chinghai Handicap (first section) for "Z" class China ponies is a sprint over six furlongs and it looks that Stymlie will give Mac's Adventure a good run for the money. The latter, measuring only 13.2, has to carry an extra of 10 lbs. of lead over the svelte weight and this is no joke for a tiny-let. We must not, however, overlook Yum Sing and National Triumph, the former having a good reputation for a short distance trip. I, of course, like Stymlie because he has a liking for the Portuguese course. The two low weighters, Cricketer and National Dignity, are not out of the race and I would certainly recommend Cricketer for a long shot.

ANYTHING MAY HAPPEN

We should see a good scramble over half-a-mile in the Kansu Handicap for "D" class China ponies, for anything may happen in this event. When they clashed in the Kiang Wu Handicap over six furlongs run in Macao on December 11, Double Chance (winner) was in receipt of a pound from Good Morning and Gold Sovereign who finished second and third respectively, whereas on Sunday Double Chance has been asked to concede 10 lbs. to the two mokes for a bending of three lengths. Somehow or other, Gold Sovereign has always done well in Macao and with the adjustment of the lead in his favour his chance is very rosy. National Anthem is nicely weighted and he may upset the apparent. The Leopard has never made the excursion, but Cuban Love and Wending should be respected.

In the Szechuen Handicap (second section) for "Y" class China ponies over nine furlongs, Courcur Bleu looks a good thing to me, but he must keep an eye on Merry Fatty who has done pretty well in his last two outings. Rothssey Bay and Gold Clause are both dangerous.

The Chinghai Handicap (second section) for "E" class China ponies is to be ridden by jockeys who have not won ten races and the journey is over the six furlongs course. Persian Cat is trained in Macao and I should the fust be in the same condition when he finished second to Dark Hazard in the Wuchang Handicap. I cannot see anything to beat him. Cloudy Star and Eagle should fill the other two places in the frame.

Not being provided with a list of entries for the Ladies scurry (unofficial) over three furlongs, I much regret that the tipping must be left to readers' discretion.

SELECTIONS

My selections for the first five events are as follows:

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Shanghai 4
Fairy Ank
Hogmanay

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Stymlie
Yum Sing
Mac's Adventure

KANSU HANDICAP -

Gold Sovereign
Double Chance
National Anthem

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Courcur Bleu
Merry Fatty
Rothssey Bay

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Persian Cat
Cloudy Star
Eagle

Job Hunter "Hates Work"

Atlantic City, N. J. An unnamed youth advertised in an Atlantic City newspaper: "Young man, 27, hates work. Desires easy job with short hours and large salary. Local references."



With all these stars to give it zing and sparkle, 20th Century-Fox's "Sally, Irene and Mary" is the top hit of Darryl F. Zanuck, musical hit-maker. Shown above are (top, left to right) FRED ALLEN, TONY MARTIN, LOUISE HOVICK, GREGORY RATOFF, and JIMMY DURANTE. The three sirens of swing (below) in search of social security are (left to right) ALICE FAYE, JOAN DAVIS and MARJORIE WEAVER. The picture is being shown at the King's Theatre.

Kowloon Football Teams Announced

The following will represent the Kowloon Football Club in their matches to-morrow:

Senior XI (v. Middlesex at Kowloon).—Hartley; Everest, Eastman; Maxwell, Bliss, Bell, W. Knox, Jorgie, Honniball, V. White and Rietsen.
Junior XI (v. Middlesex at Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.).—Coleman; Humphrey, Gomes; Carlos, Fernandes, Hardwick; Jorgie, C. M. Santos, G. White, H. Santos and Cruz.

INDOOR BOWLING

Wardroom Officers and Stoker Petty Officers of H.M.S. Cardiff met in an eight-a-side bowling match at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys on Wednesday, the latter winning by 526-509.

It is understood that the match was a return game to one played in Weihaiwei, and bowling being in the "Weihaiwei" style, scoring was considerably lower than it would have been had the orthodox methods been used. The match was a most enjoyable one, and a rousing evening was spent.

Rugby Last Game In Triangular Tournament Army Fifteen To Play Navy

The last game in this year's Triangular Tournament will take place on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay to-morrow, when the Army will play the Navy. The match will commence at 4 p.m., and will be refereed by Dr. J. A. R. Selby. After the game the Triangular Tournament Cup will be presented to the winners. There will be a game before the big match, when two Club sides will oppose each other, commencing at 2.45 p.m. These sides have been selected as follows:—

White.—M. W. MacGrath; D. L. Boanquet, F. M. Thompson, G. S. Wilson, H. van Leeuwen; G. K. Chadwick, D. J. Stewart; F. Cessford, J. R. Henderson; R. C. Stark, B. Hynds, G. M. Marrs, J. Redman, A. J. C. Taylor (Captain) and W. B. Richardson.

Colours.—J. T. Brown; G. K. Chadwick, H. D. Bidwell (Captain), W. E. Grieve, D. J. Stewart; F. Cessford, J. R. Henderson; R. C. Stark, B. Hynds, E. Peers, E. W. Stout, A. F. Walkden, E. A. Bompas, H. W. E. Heath, C. G. Davis and K. H. G. White. White jerseys will be provided on the Navy ground.

NAVY FIFTEEN
The following have been selected to represent the Navy XV:—
Pay Lt. Stevens (H.M.S. Kent); Ldg. Tel. Kelly (Kent); P. O. Askwith (Dainty); Lt. Skelton (Medway); Pay Mid. Hunkin (Kent); Lt. Elliot (Eagle); Cpt. Lt. Talbot (Medway); Ldg. Sec. Witherdon (Duncan); Lt. Bodding (Medway); P. O. King (Tamara); Lt. Darling (Medway); Lt. Ogil (Medway); Lt. Griffiths (Medway); Sub. Lt. Hain (Eagle).

ENTRIES RECEIVED FOR INTER-HONG SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The following entries have been received for the Inter-Hong Softball League, which was formed at a meeting on December 28: Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Chartered Bank, National City Bank of New York, Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank, American Express, Standard-Vacuum Oil Co., Asiatic

Starting Times Announced Golf At Fanling On Sunday

The following are the starting times for Fanling on Sunday:

Old Course
9.10 J. L. C. Pearce, J. S. Dunnett.
9.20 C. H. Hurton & F. C. Young.
9.30 D. N. Walker, T. M. Wylie.
9.40 D. L. Prophet, J. Harrop.
9.50 T. J. Price, A. L. Potter.
10.00 T. Hodder, A. Nicol.
10.10 C. W. E. Bishop, J. Forbes.
10.20 O. Baldwin, G. McGrane.
10.30 W. Woodard, H. N. Williamson.
10.40 W. W. C. Sheehan, L. Jackson.
10.50 H. M. Henderson, T. C. Donaghy.
11.00 W. A. MacKinnon, J. E. Potter.
11.10 M. Meek, J. W. Babbler.
11.20 W. Woodard, H. N. Williamson.
11.30 Wing Cdr. Steele Perkins, Col. Matthews.
11.40 Mr. Murray, J. W. Mayhew.
11.50 N. K. Littlejohn, J. G. Campbell.
12.00 D. J. Valentine, T. M. Howell.
12.10 S. H. Ferguson, T. McGarry.
12.20 J. Stenerson, D. H. Blake.
12.30 G. C. Worrall, H. C. Millett.
12.40 W. W. C. Sheehan, L. Jackson.
12.50 H. M. Henderson, T. C. Donaghy.
1.00 W. A. MacKinnon, J. E. Potter.
1.10 M. Meek, J. W. Babbler.
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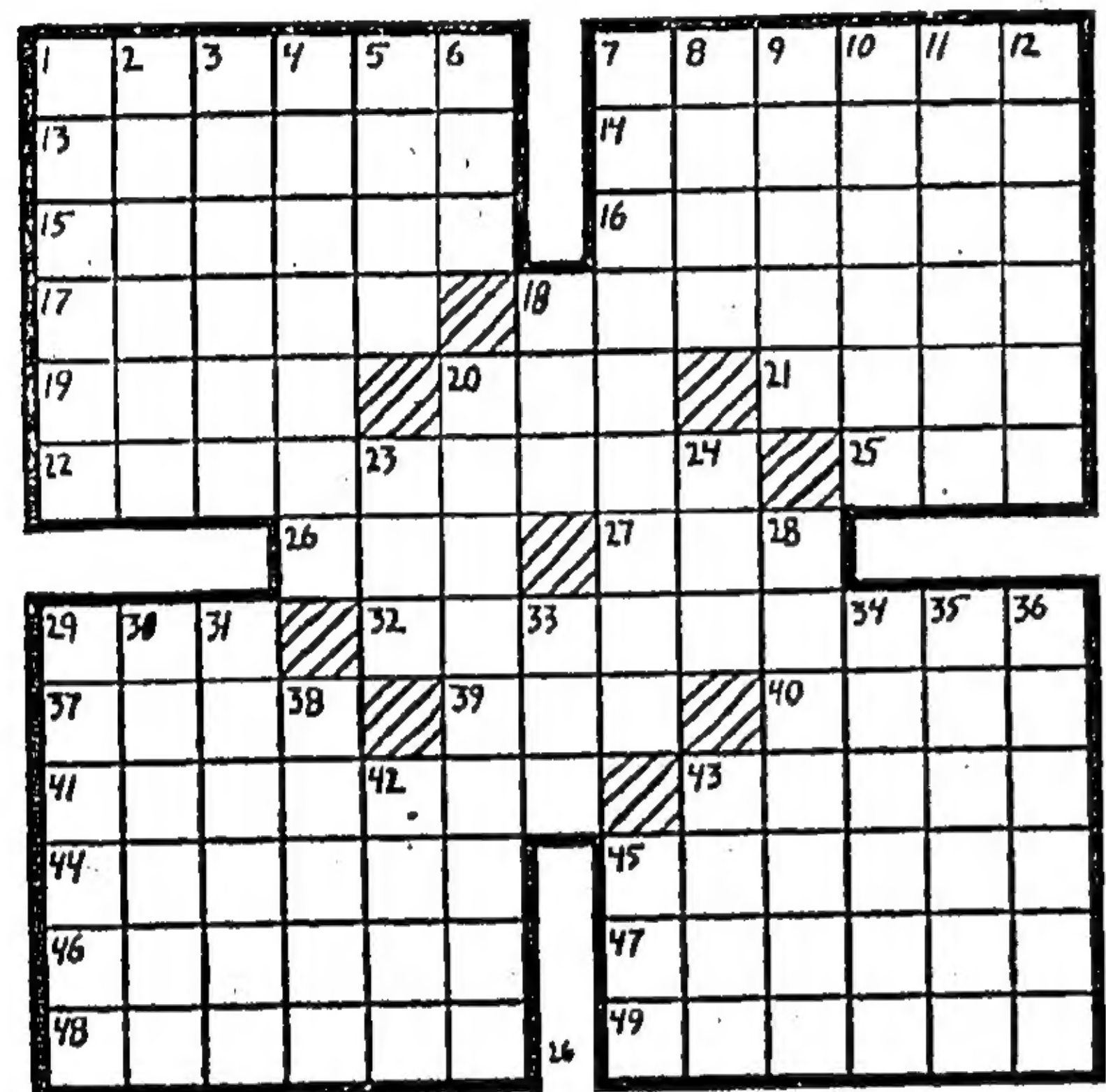
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7.10 Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; Away Down South In Heaven (Green and Warren).... Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra; Yogi-Bogi (Reed).... The Four Crochets (Vocal) with Guitar; Who Stole The Tiger's Rug?—Fox-Trot; Bring 'Em Back Alive—Fox-Trot; Na Gonella and His Georgians with vocal refrain by Nat Gonella; I Heard (Redman).... The Four Crochets (Vocal Quartet) with Guitar; I Know That My Baby Is Cheating On Me (Steinberg and Lambert); Conversational Man (Lerner and Shapiro).... Sophie Tucker (Comedienne) with Ted Shapiro and His Orchestra; Basin Street Blues (Williams); E. Flint Blues (Williams).

7.18 Light Opera Selections: "Belle of New York" etc.

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Local New Year Celebrations



Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Way, Mrs. W. Marsh and friends at the Gloucester Hotel on New Year's Eve.—Ming Yuen.



Mr. and Mrs. A. MacFarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Howell, Mr. S. M. White and Mrs. Rose with party at the Gloucester Hotel.—Ming Yuen.



A close-up of the clown, Mr. W. Ward, addressing the children on their sports day at the Police Recreation Club on Monday.—Pictorial News.



A happy party, including Commander R. R. Herbert and Dr. J. M. Gray, at the Gloucester Hotel.—Ming Yuen.



Masters Tommy Lo, Telford Fergusson and Albert O'Dell, winners of the Flat Race under 11, at the Children's Annual Sports at the K.C.C. on New Year's Day.—A. A. Kahn.



Rose-Marie Sweet, one of the kiddies who attended the Children's Sports at the K.C.C. on New Year's Day.—A. A. Kahn.



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It was alleged that on December 27, the international code signal "K," meaning "Stop," was given to Kwok Lo on the siren of a Police launch, but he failed to obey the signal.
Mr. Loseby contended that this signal—long, short, long—was so new that it was not sufficiently well known and should be given publicity in the Press. He said that his client did not know what it meant.
The Harbour Master, Commander G. F. Hole, who presided, said that Kwok Lo, as a licensed coxswain, should have known the meaning of the signal. He imposed a fine of \$5 in default, three days' imprisonment.
Lance-Sergeant C. Reddish prosecuted.

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UNIQUE ACTION: LAWYERS FINED

(Continued from Page 1.)

on the one hand and the several persons who were, from time to time, principal tenants of the floor, convicted of offences against sec. 12, on the other, the notice under sec. 13 should not have been served on defendants, nor the present proceedings taken against them; it was further elicited in the evidence for the defence that, in the case of one such notice, they had returned it to the magistrate, who issued it with a letter to the effect that the persons convicted, not having been tenants of defendants, the notice was misdirected; the letter also quoted the name (Chue Cheung) of the person to whom defendants had leased the premises.

To evaluate the force of this objection I hold that the scope and object of the Ordinance must be looked to, or, in the words of Sir Skinner Turner J. in the case Nanyang Brothers v. Missions Etirangeres, 1923, the mischief against which the Ordinance was directed and the remedies sought to be provided.

"Again, as in the case quoted, the history of the Ordinance must be looked to; and in this latter regard the omission between 1897 and 1930, of the word 'immediate' before landlord in sections 13 and 15 is, in my opinion, cardinal.

"The purpose of the Ordinance generally is that declared in its short title, and the particular protection which the sections of the Ordinance now under consideration aim to provide is plainly protection against exploitation by brothel owners, the settling of liability on the owners, etc., in the case of repeated offences against sec. 12, appears to be designed to secure the co-operation of such owners in Government's endeavour to stamp out the evil, and, at the same time, as is shown when that section is read in conjunction with sec. 14, immediately preceding it, to break the connection between a brothel keeper and the premises where the offence has been committed.

It is here that the significance of the omission of the word 'immediate' is to be appreciated; the omission extends the range, so to speak, of the power conferred by these sections, by removing the hindrance to their application by the existence of intermediate tenants.

From this it follows that the service referred to in sec. 15 was properly made on the defendants, and it remains to be considered whether they had reasonable means of knowing that the premises were used in the way forbidden by sec. 12.

FOUR CONVICTIONS LAST YEAR

In this connection it is material that convictions under sec. 12 were recorded in respect of these premises no fewer than four times in the course of the year 1930.

"In connection with one of these, a notice was served on defendants in the month of April; the receipt of a further notice of the same tenor in the month of October should, I think, have raised in their minds the question whether their immediate tenant Chue Cheung, referred to in their testimony, was in this respect a desirable tenant, and should have suggested to them the desirability of an interview with this person for the purpose of interrogating him regarding his management of his tenancy. Of such an interrogation there is no mention in their evidence, and I am led to the conclusion that it never happened.

Of actual knowledge on the part of either defendant of the use made of the premises as a brothel on December 1 this year there is, of course,

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no evidence whatever, and I am left to inquire whether he had, in the words of sec. 15, 'reasonable means of knowing'.

"I cannot escape the conclusion that a person in the position of either defendant and keenly interested in discovering what might be going on in these premises to which his attention had been directed by the notice of October 15 last had several such reasonable methods of satisfying his curiosity within his reach.

"To one of these means—an interrogation of their immediate tenant—I have already referred; but there are others.

"It may be true that they, as landlords of the premises, had already deprived themselves of right of entry by a contract of lease which did not expressly reserve such a right; but the effect of this is nullified by what is known of the nature of the use of the premises.

"MALE PERSONS UNKNOWN"

"A brothel keeper can hardly regard unfavourably the resort to his premises of male persons unknown to her, nor refuse such persons admission, and it seems plain that had defendants either visited the premises personally or employed some agent to do so and to report to them the results of visits, made at the appropriate hours, then they might have had information as to what was going on in that floor.

"Defendants had, therefore, I must hold, a reasonable means of knowing that the premises were being kept as a brothel, but failed to make use of that means, just as they failed to make use of the opportunity afforded by sec. 14 to rid themselves of an apparently undesirable tenant who could not or would not assist in prevention of misuse of the premises.

NEGATIVE OFFENCE

"I am satisfied that the offence of defendants was of a negative rather than a positive nature.

"They, in fact, failed to take sufficiently seriously the obligation laid upon them by sections 13 to 15 of the present Ordinance to co-operate in measures to prevent the misuse of these premises, despite the protests of willingness to co-operate with the authorities of which I heard much from the witnesses for the defence.

"For this reason, I think that the appropriate penalty, in addition to the publicity which this case has attracted, will be a nominal fine of \$25 on each defendant.

"In fixing the amount of this penalty I have made full allowance for the fact that defendants did in good faith misconstrue the Ordinance and its applicability to their case.

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The Della hopped off at dawn today for Bangkok with 690 kilos of mail and two passengers, Mr. R. Ross, of the Union Insurance Company, for London and a Chinese for Bangkok.

Danish Nazis Will Be Suppressed

Copenhagen, Jan. 5. It is rumoured in political circles that the Danish Nazi Party is likely to be prohibited by the Government on the grounds of "unpatriotic action."

It is also said that there are among the police force, members of the party who give information to the Nazis about secret State documents.—Reuter.

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